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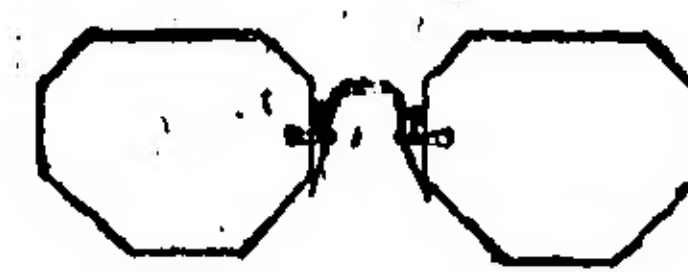
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RETURNED TO ANTI-OPIMUM BUREAU.

SEQUEL TO HIS SEIZURE.

The question of what constitutes opium is getting rather difficult. Revenue officers who went aboard an armed and nameless launch early in March seized 66,600 taels of material which bore a rather different label to the one usually put on opium from Canton. It may be recalled that the launch, variously described at the time as a Chinese gunboat, and the Tung Hung, ran ashore in a fog at Ha Wa Min, near Lama Island, on the night of March 4, and was sighted in distress by a Police launch.

Later came the seizure. Revenue Officers inclined to the opinion that the material seized was ordinary Yunnan raw opium. Those aboard strenuously denied the fact. They claimed that what they were carrying was "raw material for the manufacture of anti-opium medicine." As the launch was described as belonging to the Opium Suppression Bureau of Canton, they had at least a certain amount of logic on their side.

A Hong Kong Launch. It now transpires that the launch, which at one time was on the Hong Kong Register under the name of the Moonshine, is in fact owned in Hong Kong. But here complications enter into the story. The owners, it appears, repented too much trust in an agent in Canton, so that on March 1 a notice appeared in a local Chinese newspaper that the launch had been mortgaged to the Tung Wan Company of Canton. The Tung Wan Company, it may be noted, is one of two companies who are entrusted with the opium transport monopoly from Canton.

When the launch was seized, according to the most reliable information, there was no indication of where she was proceeding, although an official of the Tung Wan Company, and another from the Canton Opium Suppression Bureau, claimed that she was on her way to Swatow. The launch, which was not much larger than the ordinary Hong Kong Revenue launch, was well armed, and the officials stated that they had been 10 hours on the way from Canton before she grounded. Various parcels found aboard were duly labelled for Swatow.

A Strange Sequel.

But the sequel was even more astonishing. To the great surprise (no doubt) of the Hong Kong Import and Export Department, an application was made for the "material" to be returned to the Opium Suppression Bureau. One must be careful not to mention the Canton Provincial Treasury in the matter, as they have no connection whatever, it seems, with the Opium Suppression Bureau. The application came through Consular channels, and after due deliberation, and with the permission of the Nanking Government, the "material" was returned to its owners. A launch from the official transport company, the Tung Wan Company, arrived in Hong Kong on Wednesday, and took away the medical material.

A Mystery Launch.

The nameless vessel was released shortly after the seizure. It is understood that when she was taken off the island she bore a design on the funnel which was not familiar to Revenue or Customs men. But she did not have the customary number on the funnel which Customs men are in the habit of looking for. And the labels, which depicted a five-storey pagoda, had no mention of Canton Provincial Treasury, as the old labels used to have. So it must have been medicine. One can only sympathise with the sufferers who have been without relief for so long a time!

The Moonshine, it may be recalled, was involved in a collision in Capatun Pass, about two years ago, with the s.s. Leung Kwong, as a result of which Mr. Martin, Chief Officer, and Mr. Donaldson, Chief Engineer, were killed.

NEW PIRACY ALARM

HONG KONG MAN'S INVENTION.

RADIO DEVICE.

SHIP'S POSITION TO BE BROADCAST.

A small iron-bound case, measuring about 1 ft. by 2 ft. by 1 ft., was an object of interest amongst visitors at the offices of the Officers' Federation in London. It is a piracy alarm that may easily be fitted to vessels in the China Seas, and is the invention of Sub-Lieut. Neil Richardson, of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., of Hong Kong.

The machine can be inspected at the Officers' Federation, which for some time now has paid special attention to the problem of Chinese piracy.

The situation at present is very unsatisfactory since the Government decided to withdraw the white guards and substitute

FAIR WEATHER.

The Royal Observatory's weather report for today states:

An anticyclone is central near Peking.

A depression is still shown over Tongking.

The position of the typhoon in the Pacific is uncertain.

Forecast: — Southerly or variable winds, light; fair.

Rainfall

Rainfall to 10 a.m. to-day nil. Rainfall since January 1, 18.67 inches against an average of 19.52 inches.

Temperature and Humidity

The temperature and humidity at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock were:—

	Temp.	Humid.
Hong Kong	81	83
Macao	81	92
Pratas Island	81	90
Manila	77	95
Swatow	78	95
Chefoo	82	86
Shanghai	59	100

Indian guards, the latter to be paid for by shipowners at a cost of from £20,000 to £30,000 a year. It has been stated in the Far East that the Indian guards may not even be adequate for this piracy protection work.

The invention is a wireless device, and registers the position of the ship. It is connected with buttons on the bridge, the engine-room, and other accessible parts of the vessel. As soon as a pirate vessel attacks, by pressing one of these buttons a signal of alarm, with name and position of the ship, is broadcast continuously. It can be used through the ordinary wireless set, but in ships with no wireless a small transmitter can be attached to the box. In fact, this self-contained method is the best, because a favourite point of the pirates' attack is the wireless cabin.

How It Works.

"Richardson's Piracy and Distress Alarm" is an instrument whereby any type of wireless transmitter can be used to originate a distress call, the name and position of the ship, without the aid of a skilled operator. The instrument is fitted, with any convenient position. A series of switches, nine in number, and a push-button are placed on the bridge of the vessel. When the necessity for a distress signal arises the officer of the watch immediately dials the position of the ship, as accurately as possible and presses the push-button.

When this is done the instrument causes the transmitter to transmit the Morse combination operating auto-alarm in vessels so fitted within range without further human aid. On completion of this combination the distress call, name of the vessel, and the position dialled, are transmitted in succession, and are repeated until the power supply is exhausted.

In the case of piracy the auto-

FLIGHT TO CANADA.

British R.100 Postpones the Trip.

MINISTERS' REQUEST.

Rugby, Yesterday. The Airship R100, which left Cardington last evening, was in the air throughout the night and did not return to her mooring until this afternoon. It was anticipated that the vessel, on the satisfactory completion of this flight, during which a series of tests have been carried out, would almost immediately sail for Canada. In response to the request of the Canadian Department of Defence, however, the departure was delayed. The Air Ministry has been requested to arrange that the R100 may arrive in Canada after the close of the Parliamentary sessions, so that Ministers and others may officially receive the airship on her arrival at Montreal. — British Wireless Service.

SOVIET'S HUGE DEBT.

Ninety Millions Owing to Britain.

NO SUGGESTIONS

Rugby, Yesterday. Replying to a question in the House of Commons, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Philip Snowden, said that the sum due by the Government of Russia to this country on March 31 last amounted to £90,000,000. Up to the present no suggestion had been received from the Soviet Government regarding the funding this debt, but it would be amongst the questions to be discussed in the negotiations with the Soviet Government which were to take place shortly. — British Wireless Service.

SYRIA A REPUBLIC.

New Constitution Under French Mandate.

NEAR EAST POLICY.

Paris, Yesterday. A new constitution for Near Eastern territories under the French Mandate was promulgated to-day. Syria becomes a Republic with a Chamber and President, who must be always Moslem. The Autonom, Alalt and Druze states will continue to be administered by Governors, assisted by native councils. Lebanon's constitution, put into force since 1926, remains unchanged. — Havas.

RIOTS IN PARIS.

Annamites Cause a Scene in Capital.

INDO-CHINA TROUBLES.

Paris, Yesterday. Sixty Annamites tried to force their way into the Elysee, shouting "Down with the President of the Republic" brandishing strips of calico with a black border. The police easily dispersed them and arrested twelve. The disturbance was due to the punishment of Annamites who revolted recently in Indo-China. — Reuter.

small transmitter are placed in a position inaccessible to pirates. Experience suggests that both be fitted in a bullet-proof case on the mast, and protected by several turns of live aerial. In this case rifle fire would be insufficient to damage the installation, and any attempt to open the case by hand would be effectively prevented by the live wire in the event of its existence becoming known to the pirates. The dials are fitted on the bridge, and by means of a locking device rendered inoperative when once the apparatus has been set in motion. Any number of push-buttons, preferably concealed, may be fitted around the bridge and in the cabins of officers. Subsequent interference with the wiring of the buttons has no effect on the transmission, which continues until the power supply is exhausted.

The only skilled attention needed to keep such an installation in working order would be in topping up the batteries when necessary and checking adjustments. This could conveniently be carried out on a vessel's return to her home port.

SARCASM OF "IRON MAN"

"CACKLING GEESE OF EUROPE."

ITALY'S NEEDS.

MUSSOLINI'S "HOT AIR" ELOQUENCE.

Milan, Yesterday. Signor Benito Mussolini, addressing an immense crowd at a meeting at which he was presented with a "baton of authority," subscribed by wounded ex-service men, said: "All the geese of Europe have been cackling for the defence of their various capitals in consequence of my speeches at Leghorn and Florence. There has never been such a spectacle of



Signor Mussolini.

human hypocrisy. Anyone would think that only Italy has war planes and other countries only paper kites; only Italy guns other countries walking sticks; only Italy barracks and elsewhere only pleasure palaces and recreation halls; only Italy has the effort to possess a Navy, whilst other nations have only fishing smacks and yachts. You know how different is the truth. Why should only Italy remain unarmed? Mutilated comrades! This baton is the emblem of my submission to a spirit of victory and the country's will." — Reuter.

BRITAIN AND EGYPT.

Why the Negotiations Broke Down.

WHITE PAPER ISSUED.

Rugby, Yesterday. Documents relating to the recent abortive British and Egyptian treaty negotiations are published in the form of a White Paper. The discussions began on the basis of the British proposals of last year, which are described by King Fuad, at the opening of the Egyptian Parliament as being inspired by the spirit of friendship and conciliation. These proposals were set out in 16 draft clauses and comparatively little difficulty was encountered in securing agreement on the first seven. They covered questions of ending the British occupation of Egypt; the establishment of a friendly alliance; Egypt's proposed membership of the League of Nations; an agreement to concert together in the event of a dispute with a third party; an undertaking to co-operate in the



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MOSLEY OUT OF LUCK

Vote of Censure Rejected by Labour Party.

QUARREL WITH THOMAS.

London, Yesterday. Sir Oswald Mosley's motion of censure of the Government was defeated by 210 votes to 29 at a special meeting of the Parliament Labour Party. — Reuter.

[The Government's majority was reduced to 15 in the House of Commons, in consequence of the abstention from voting of Labour left wingers and several Liberals on the division which ended the debate on the Opposition motion alleging that the Government had failed adequately to deal with the unemployment problem, the sensational result of which was the announcement that Sir Oswald Mosley had resigned the Chancellorship of the Duchy of Lancaster.]

NEGRO WORKERS.

Desire to Hold Conference in London.

PERMISSION REFUSED.

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons, the Labour member for St. Pancras, Mr. J. Marley, asked whether the Home Secretary had received an application for a "provisional international trade union committee of negro workers in America" for permission to hold the first international conference of negro workers in London next July. Mr. A. Short, replying affirmatively, said that the Home Secretary had replied that he was unable to sanction the conference or authorise facilities for the attendance of delegates. — Reuter.

PRESS IN INDIA

Proprietor Warned Not to Publish.

HUNGER STRIKE THREAT.

Calcutta, Yesterday. Except the newspapers Liberty and Advance, other Nationalist papers are resuming publication in spite of the objection of the Bengal Civil Disobedience Council which supports the Congress Working Committee's decision enjoining suspension till the Press Ordinance is withdrawn.

Volunteers visited the Basumat office and have given the proprietor 48 hours to reconsider his decision to publish, otherwise his staff will go on hunger strike. — Reuter.

TELEPHONE TO JAVA.

New Service to Be Started from To-day.

£5 FOR THREE MINUTES.

London, Yesterday. The Post Office announces that a limited telephone service will be opened between Great Britain and Java via Amsterdam, on May 23. The hours of service set out will be restricted to a period from 1.40 p.m. to 5.10 p.m. British Summer time each week day. The charge will be £5—2/0 for the first three minutes and 34/- for each minute thereafter. — Reuter.

SPOTTED TYPHUS.

Serious Outbreak in Harbin.

Harbin, May 14. The outbreak of a virulent form of "spotted" typhus in Harbin continues to become more serious, there now being more than 400 cases with many deaths daily. One of the victims of the outbreak is Bishop Nestor, a well-known official of the Orthodox Church who has been dangerously ill for the past two weeks. He is being attended by the best physicians in Harbin and hope is entertained for his recovery. — Canton News Agency.

The British Association expressed its sympathy for the victims of the outbreak.

HONOUR FOR THE PRESS

DELEGATES TO MEET PRINCE OF WALES.

TOUR OF BRITAIN.

POLITICAL LEADERS TO SPEAK.

London, Yesterday. The fourth Imperial Press Conference will assemble in London on June 1 and will conclude on June 30. The headquarters will be Grosvenor House, Park Lane, and 92 delegates will attend, representing 13 Empire countries including the Dominions, India and Hong Kong. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, and Mr. Lloyd George are among those addressing the Conference. The delegates' hosts at various functions include the Government, the City of London, the Admiralty, the Army Council, and the Air Ministry, while the Prince of Wales in-

STOP PRESS

Bombay, Yesterday. Addressing an audience of 100,000 ex-Speker Patel condemned the Police baton charge at Dharasana as unjustifiable.

Simultaneously an official communique declares that the conduct of the attack was by no means non-violent. Many volunteers' "wounds" were lacerations from barbed wire which they attempted to pull down. It adds that the raid was skillfully staged with a view to securing the maximum advertisement the motto of the organisers clearly being not seen. Their heroism has no Press value. — Reuter.

Washington, Yesterday. The House of Representatives has ordered an investigation into Communist propaganda and activities in the United States. — Reuter's American Service.

Shanghai, To-day. It is announced that the Shanghai Power Company are issuing eight million taels of six per cent. cumulative preferred stock early next month. The issue price has not yet been fixed. — Reuter.

London, Yesterday. The idea of an early General Election is discounted in Conservative circles. Prominent men declare that the Party in the main do not desire to throw out the Government and force a General Election at present in view of the situation in India and the imminence of the Shmon Commission's report. An early general impression is that the crisis will probably be postponed until the Autumn. — Reuter.

tends to meet the delegates at a reception by the Earl and Countess of Ellesmere at Bridge House. Visits will be made to Liverpool, Bradford, Harrogate, Doncaster, Warwick Castle, Birmingham, Stratford on Avon, Coventry, Oxford, Eton, Loch Lomond, the Trossachs, Edinburgh, and Glenaeles. The delegates will spend a day at sea at Portsmouth at the invitation of the Admiralty and will be able to see the trooping of the Colour, the Derby, Ascot, and the Aldershot Tattoo air force display.

The discussions include Empire trade and communications, newspaper production, and advertising. Mr. Lloyd George will speak on "The Empire after the War," and Mr. Baldwin on "Britain after the War." — Reuter.

ALLEGED MURDER.

Yorichi Hori, alias Yamada, who is in custody on the charge of the murder of a Chinese cook on the Tamsa on May 5, was brought again before Mr. T. B. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, when he was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment.

BRUTAL MURDER.

Attack on a Chinese Foreman.

CARPENTER'S DISCOVERY.

A case of murder, the motive of which is not apparent at present, occurred in Shamshuiipo just after 10 o'clock last night.

The victim is a Shanghai Chinese named Hui Kam-to, who lived on the second floor of 237, Laichikok Road, and was employed as foreman by the Sun Hing firm of building contractors who are engaged in building some houses in Prince Edward Road.

He was attacked and wounded in the chest in Prince Edward Road, at the junction of Laichikok Road. The murdered man was discovered by Tsong Mei (24), a carpenter employed by the same firm of contractors, and he summoned the Police.

Tsong, who lives on the second floor of 329 Laichikok Road, told the Police that at about 11 p.m., he, with five other men were in the Tai Leung tea house, in Laichikok Road, near the junction of Prince Edward Road, when he heard someone in the street call out "Ai Yeh," apparently in great distress. Tsong rushed into the street and there he saw his foreman lying on the pavement, outside the tea house, holding his chest, on which was blood.

Tsong said that he approached Hui and spoke to him, but received no reply. He then blew his Police whistle and ran off to the Sun Hing Company's office, where he gave the alarm. When he returned with some folk he found the Police already there and was told that Hui was dead.

Hui's wounds must have been caused with either a dagger or a sharp pointed knife, but no weapon was found at the scene of the crime. Hui was foreman over 60 of his countrymen and the suspicion is that some of his own folk are implicated in the murder.

The C.I.D. are investigating the affair.

ADMIRAL WAISTELL.

Official Announcement of Promotion

An official announcement to-day states that the British Naval Commander-in-Chief, China Station, has been promoted to Admiral, to date May 23.

Admiral Sir Arthur Kipling Waistell, K.C.B., was born on March 30, 1873. He was made Captain December 31, 1910, Rear-Admiral July 1, 1921, and Vice-Admiral August 6, 1923. He served in the European War (despatches, C.B.), 1914-1918 and commanded the Destroyer Flotilla, Atlantic Fleet 1922-3. He was in command of the First Cruiser Squadron 1924-26, and became Commander-in-Chief, China Station, in 1929. He was a Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty and Assistant Chief of Naval Staff in 1923-4.

Rear-Admiral Tweedie. Rear-Admiral Hugh J. Tweedie has been promoted to Vice-Admiral. — Reuter.

[Rear-Admiral Tweedie, who was born in 1877, is the son of General Michael Tweedie, who served in the Crimea and Mutiny. Educated on the training ship Britannia, he served in the Mediterranean, China, the West Indies and in Mexico, under Admiral Craddock. He was appointed Rear-Admiral in 1923, and Senior Naval Officer on the Yangtze in 1927. He went Home some months ago.]

GIRL FLYER LOST?

Anxiety for Fate of Miss Amy Johnson.

Batavia, Yesterday. Uneasiness is felt about Miss Amy Johnson, of whom no news has been received since she passed Bina at 11.30 a.m. — Reuter.

Waltrevod, Yesterday. Miss Amy Johnson has landed on Timor Island. Miss Johnson landed in Halliok village, near Atambora, yesterday evening. — Reuter. [An earlier message from Sourabaya stated: "Miss Amy Johnson, of whom no news has been received since she passed Bina at 11.30 a.m., has been sighted on Timor Island."]

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MANILA.		
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BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.		
CALCUTTA MARU	Tuesday	27th May.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.		
ANYO MARU	Sunday	1st June.
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.		
WAKASA MARU	Thursday	5th June.
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.		
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CELEBES MARU	Tuesday	3rd June.
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MONROVIA—Via Singapore & Colombo.		
CHICAGO MARU	Sunday	1st June.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.		
GANGES MARU	Sunday	1st June.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports from Shanghai.		
ARABIA MARU (from Kobe)	Wednesday	28th May.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.		
SYDNEY MARU	Friday	6th June.
HUPHONG—Via Hanoi & Pakhol.		
MEKONG MARU	Thursday	12th June.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports & Panama.		
HAGUE MARU	Sunday	1st June.
JAPAN PORTS.		
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SHIPPING SECTION

GULF LINES' MERGER PROJECT.

AN EFFORT TO REDUCE WORKING EXPENSES.

SHIPPING BOARD ATTITUDE.

The revival of the proposal for the consolidation of the ten Shipping Board services now operating out of the Gulf ports, as indicated by Mr. John R. Gordon, president of the Merchant Fleet Corporation, in his report to the Shipping Board, has aroused a great deal of interest among United States shipping men. It is recalled that in the latter part of 1928 Brigadier General A. C. Dalton, then vice-president and general manager of the Merchant Fleet Corporation, proposed combining eight of the Gulf lines into three services as a means of reducing operating losses.

The Dalton plan was rejected, ostensibly on the ground that it had been proposed without consulting the Shipping Board. Details of the Gordon plan have not been announced, so it may be assumed that the members of the board will have full opportunity to consider the proposition before any definite public announcement is made.

Mr. Edward A. Kelley, during his term of office as vice-president in charge of operations of the Merchant Fleet Corporation, was a strong advocate of consolidation of the Gulf lines, but moves in this direction encountered various obstacles, including protests from groups of shippers in the areas served by the various lines.

Changes in the Board. Under the present conditions of world-wide depression in shipping it is expected that the proposal for reducing overhead costs and increasing general efficiency of operation of the Gulf services will receive more careful consideration than heretofore. Indications are seen of a determined effort on the part of the administration to hasten the disposal of the remaining Shipping Board services to private interests.

This programme is expected to be pushed forward during the remainder of the year and is expected to be facilitated by impending changes in the personnel of the Shipping Board. The vice-chairman, Mr. E. C. Plummer, is likely to be replaced by another appointee from New England at the expiration of his term in June and rumours have been current of late that Mr. T. V. O'Connor, who recently asked to be relieved from the chairmanship of the board, may also resign as commissioner on account of ill-health.

Advocates of consolidation have pointed out that three lines are operated from Gulf ports to the Mediterranean, one to the Far East, one to French and Belgian ports, two to Germany and Holland, and three to the United Kingdom, one of the latter also serving Continental ports. It has been held that the three Mediterranean services might easily be merged as well as the three United Kingdom services and that the latter combination and one other formed of the remaining three European services also might be used to cover the traffic to Continental ports.

The Existing Lines. The lines now operated by the Shipping Board from the Gulf are: Dixie Mediterranean Line, from New Orleans, East Gulf and South Atlantic ports to the Mediterranean; Gulf-West Mediterranean

Line, from Gulf and South Atlantic ports to Portuguese, Spanish and North African ports west of Bizerta; Texas Mediterranean Line, from Texas and South Atlantic ports to Mediterranean ports. Dixie U.K. Line, from New Orleans to United Kingdom ports; Texas U.K. Line, from Texas ports to the United Kingdom; Mobile Oceanic Line, from Mobile and Eastern Gulf ports to United Kingdom and Continental ports; Mississippi Valley-European Line, from New Orleans to French Atlantic and Belgian ports; Southern States Line, from New Orleans and Texas ports to Germany and Holland; Texas Star Line, from Texas ports to French and Belgian ports; American Gulf Orient Line, from Gulf ports to China, Japan, Philippine Islands and Dutch East Indies.

TONNAGE SHORT.

Banks Likely to Foreclose on Mortgaged Ships.

It is becoming increasingly evident that the supply of tonnage available for employment in some of the leading long distance trades is at last showing signs of being definitely short as a result of the laying-up consequent upon the continuance of unremunerative freight rates.

Against this it has to be noted that so far this has not brought about any definite improvement in rates, due to the fact that orders in some of the principal trades are still very scarce, and in the west in particular any business offering is being eagerly snapped up by owners in order to cut losses. It is clear, however, that in the event of any broadening in the demand it would take very little to lift rates to higher levels, but the improvement will have to be very substantial before they are at a remunerative level. The majority of fixtures effected recently will almost certainly involve owners in a loss, and this state of affairs is likely to continue unless owners refuse to accept the present rates offered in the outward market.

Banks and The Depressor. In the present state of the market it is not surprising that many members of the Baltic Exchange are freely discussing the prospect of the banks foreclosing on some of the ships which are heavily mortgaged. It is well known that, had it not been for the assistance given to the industry by the banks, many of the ships built in the last year or so would never have been laid down.

In the light of events it is obvious that many owners took a too optimistic view of world trade requirements in the next year or two when they embarked upon their ambitious building programmes, and it is probable that but for the overbuilding the present slump would not have been quite so severe or prolonged. If any attempt were made to liquidate loans on tramp ships on a large scale at the present time it is safe to assert that huge losses would be incurred. It is unlikely, however, that this will be attempted, although it is very doubtful whether some owners are able to provide for interest charges on loans at the existing level of freight rates, to say nothing of redeeming the principal.

STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Russia arrived at Nagasaki on May 21 (Wed.) at 5 p.m., left Nagasaki on May 22 (Thurs.) at 6 a.m., and was due at Shanghai on May 23 (Fri.) at 9 a.m. She leaves Shanghai on May 24 (Sat.) at 5.30 a.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Canada from Hong Kong on May 15, left Yokohama on May 22 at 3 p.m., and is due at Vancouver on May 30.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES

Consignees of cargo ex a.s. "Bolivia" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after May 26.

Consignees of cargo ex a.s. "Bonifacio" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after May 23.

Consignees of cargo ex a.s. "Boncruchan" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after May 30.

CHICHIBU MARU.

The N.Y.K. new motor liner, Chichibu Maru, left Shanghai this morning, and moored in the harbour at buoy A. 1, where she will stay until her departure on May 28, when she will sail for America, via Shanghai and Japanese ports.

STEAMER ON FIRE.

Neighbouring Vessels Rush to Scene.

ROLL CALL NECESSARY.

Marseilles, Yesterday. A wireless message from the Captain of the Asia states that his ship caught fire on Wednesday evening. All the officers and crew and many of the passengers were taken off at night by several steamers which rushed to be scene but as about 1,500 pilgrims were aboard a roll call is necessary before it can be ascertained whether there was any loss of life.—Reuter.

[The Asia is a steamer of 5,890 tons, owned by a French company and built at Glasgow.]

KARA SEA TRADE.

Preparations for Season.

The part played by the northern sea route from Siberia to Europe and the significance of the annual expeditions to the Kara Sea are claimed in Soviet circles to be growing year by year. In this connection a correspondent of the Moscow Ekonomicheskii Zhurnal states that preparations are already now being made for this year's expedition to the Kara Sea, which will begin in July, as usual, and that the expedition will be two-and-a-half times larger than that which took place last year.

As compared with the inward cargo of machinery, plant and equipment from different European countries, the outward cargo from Siberia is chiefly timber, which is first transported by way of the northern rivers, and then by the sea route to Europe. In the not distant future—that is, within the five years' plan of general development in Soviet Russia, of which two years have now already expired—the expansion is foreseen of other articles of export from Siberia. These include graphite, fish, flax, barley and oats from the northern rural economic associations, together with fur skins, &c. Besides Siberia, the Moscow newspaper states that the region of the Urals will require no fewer than 300 ocean-going steamers at the end of the five years (1932-33) for the transport of the export products from that region.

Icebreakers and Aeroplanes. This year the expedition, it is said, will be accompanied and served by two of the best icebreakers, and possibly by a third held in reserve, which are at present stationed at Archangel, and by three large aeroplanes and staff.

It is intended that the outward and homeward journeys shall be accomplished in 60 days. Simultaneously with the Kara Sea expedition it is proposed to make an experimental voyage on the River Lena. In the interest of the Yakutsk Republic, weather and ice conditions permitting, it is in contemplation to have one hunting ship and one motorship on the Lena, the experiment being calculated to hold out great future possibilities.

A great work will lie before the aeroplanes. This will be specially the case in regard to exploring the ice conditions, which is a matter of particular importance in view of the frequent fogs, while at the same time it will be possible with their aid to determine future districts for the felling of timber.

The idea is also to use aero-

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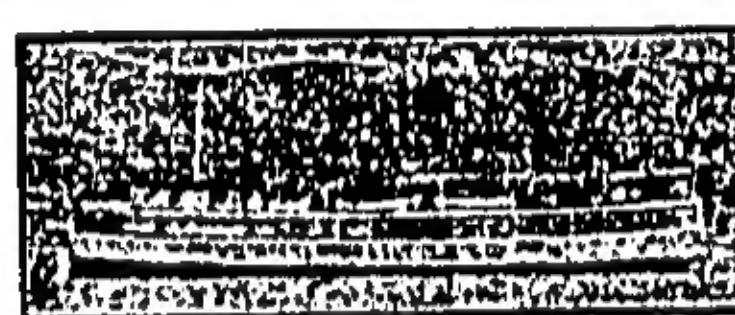
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S.S. "TAI HING"

[1,068 tons—Capt. Trotter.]

TUES. 27th MAY.

MON. 2nd JUNE.

SAT. 7th MON. 17th

THURS. 12th SAT. 28th

S.S. "TAI MING"

[649 tons—Capt. G. J. Spink.]

SUN. 25th JUNE.

WED. 4th FRI. 30th

MON. 9th WED. 25th

SUN. 15th MON. 30th

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MANTUA	10,916	24th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
KHYBER	9,114	31st May	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
KHIVA	9,135	7th June	Marseilles, London, Hull, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
†ALIPPORE	5,273	18th June	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
RANPUA	10,681	21st June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.

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*TALAMBA	8,013	6th June	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TAKADA	6,940	17th June	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TALMA	10,000	22nd June	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
SHIRALA	7,841	3rd July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

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ST. ALBANS	4,500	4th July	Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney &
NEELORE	6,853	3rd Aug.	Melbourne.

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TALMA	10,000	1st June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*JEYPORE	5,318	3rd June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KARMALA	9,128	6th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	10th June	Moji, Kobe Osaka & Yokohama.
SHIRALA	7,841	13th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*MOREA	10,954	20th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KALYAN	9,144	4th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	16,568	18th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHMIR	9,985	1st Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MANTUA	10,946	15th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHGAR	9,005	29th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MALWA	10,980	12th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHYBER	9,114	26th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MOREA	10,954	10th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MACEDONIA	11,120	24th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.

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loon, whence and/or from the wharves
delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded
unless notice to the contrary be given
before 17th May, 1930.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godown, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
23rd inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before the 2nd prox. or they will
not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged
Goods are to be left in the Godown,
where they will be examined on the
23rd inst., at 10 a.m. by our sur-
veyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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20th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must
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before the 12th June, 1930, or they
will not be recognised.

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22nd inst. at 10 a.m. by Messrs
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T'au via S'hai & S'hai	HANGSANG	Wed., 28th May at 10 a.m.
T'au via S'hai & S'hai	YATSHING	Sun., 1st June at 10 a.m.
T'au via S'hai & S'hai	KWONGSANG	Wed., 4th June at 10 a.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	YUENSANG	Fri., 30th May at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	KUMSANG	Sat., 7th June at 3 p.m.
Amoy	SUISANG	Fri., 6th June at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai	KUTSANG	Thurs., 19th June at 7 a.m.
Moji & Kobe	HOSANG	Thurs., 26th June at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & Kobe	YUENSANG	Wed., 9th July at 7 a.m.
Sandakan	HINSANG	Wed., 28th May at 3 p.m.
T'au via S'hai & Fochow	MAUSANG	Wed., 11th June at 3 p.m.
T'au via S'hai & Fochow	CHIFSHING	Sun., 8th June at 7 a.m.
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A Norwegian Critic of
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The question of the life of
tankers is being discussed in Nor-
way, where the subject is of particu-
lar interest as a result of the large
expansion in the fleet of this type
of ship. The accounts of the
tankship owners for 1929, accord-
ing to a shareholder in one under-
taking, in the course of a com-
munication to the Norwegian
Journal of Commerce, have shown
a splendid surplus, and the share-
holders have rejoiced over the fact,
and thought that they had placed
their money in good undertakings.
However, he states that they have
rejoiced prematurely, as they have
not paid attention to the circum-
stances that in a few years' time
the ships will be, so to say, of no
value.

In making this assertion the cor-
respondent refers to previous ar-
ticles published in the Oslo news-
paper, dealing with the large ex-
penditure incurred on the repair
of tankers. In one case it was
stated that after twelve years a
ship of 16,870 tons had had to in-
cur an outlay of £100,000, corre-
sponding to three-fifths of the
original cost of the ship. On his
part the correspondent mentions
that a shipowner at Kristiansand
bought a motor-tanker of about
eleven years' old against a survey.
The ship was refused, as it turned
out that the motors (engines)
after working for eleven years
were very much the worse for
wear, and after another year new
motors had to be installed.

Taking the conditions set forth
as the basis the correspondent
states that owners will have to
reconsider that survey 8 will come
to three-fifths of the ship's normal
constructional value in the case of
steam tankers and to four-fifths in
that of motor-tankers. On the
same basis it may be established
that the accounts of the motor-
tanker owners in reality show a de-
ficit since the surpluses are by a
long way not large enough to
neutralise the costs of survey 8. In
this connection, however, he states
that individual ships have escaped
somewhat more easily. Thus a
steam tanker of 7,500 tons passed
through survey 8 last year at a
cost of about \$1,400 (about 26,000
kr.).

The correspondent proceeds to
say that one must admire the
English shipowners who are so fir-
sighted and experienced that they
sell their old tankers of from eight
to twelve years' old, which, after

what has been said, must be con-
sidered to be about worthless, and
one much regret if any Norwegian
shipowners have really been gull-
ed. If this is the case many of the
Norwegian shipowners have much
to learn from the English.

In conclusion, he expresses the
hope that the national taxation
authorities will pay attention to
the conditions with the short life
of tankers, so that a considerably
higher percentage of depreciation
may be permitted than what is
the case at present.

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The tide-table given below has
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analysis of the tidal observations,
taken at the Kowloon tidal observa-
tory under the direction of Dr.
Dobereck during the years 1887, 1888
and 1889.

The times and heights are given
for Kowloon; but they may be used
for the Victoria Naval Yard and
Aberdeen, the differences being very
small.

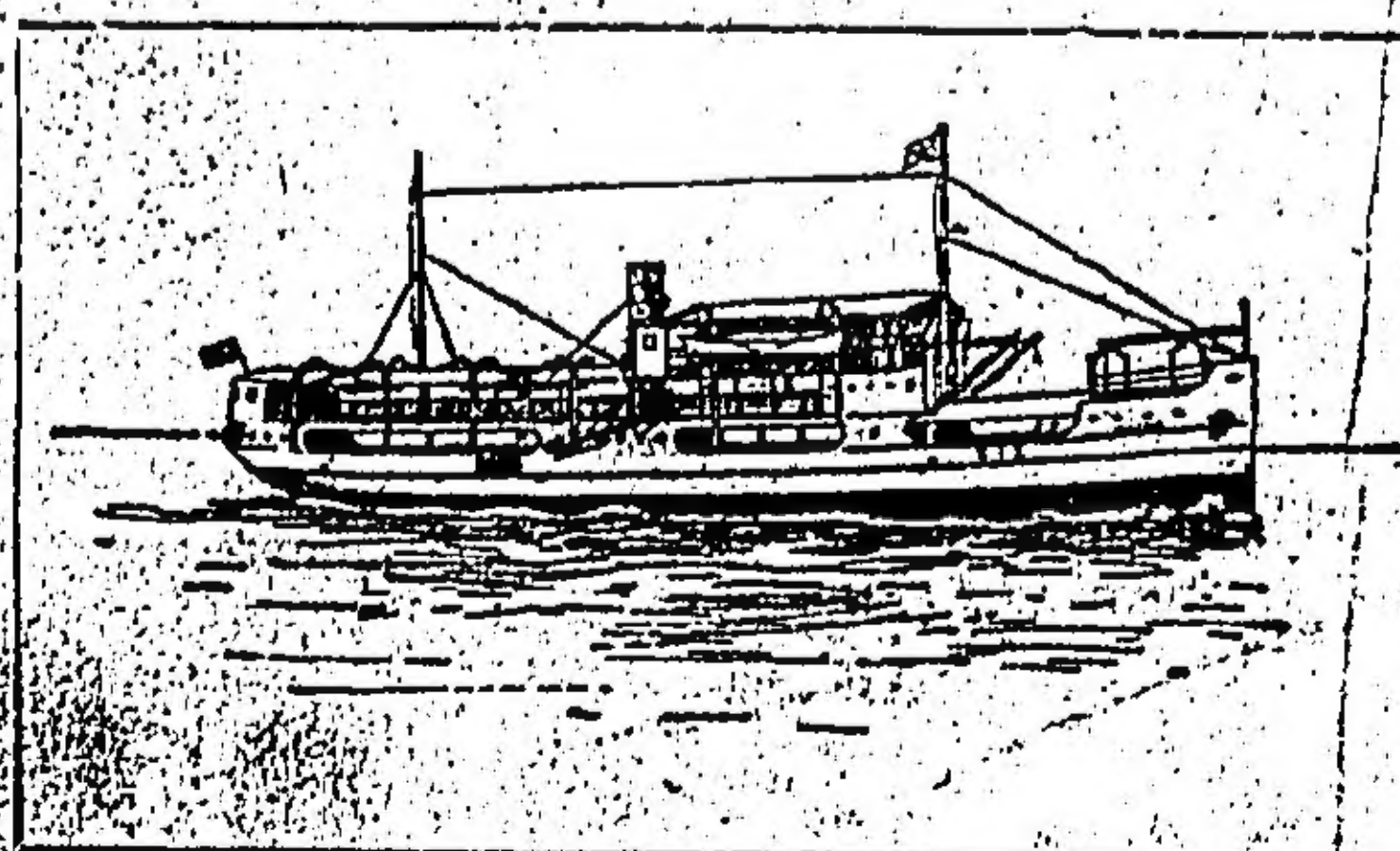
The times of high and low-water
must not be considered to coincide
with the times of slack-water and
change of current, the two phenomena
being quite distinct.

May 23 to 29, 1930.

DATE	High Water	Lower Water
	Standard Times	Standard Times
May	Standard Times	Standard Times
Fri. 23	6 52 a.m.	6 08 a.m.
Sat. 24	7 51 a.m.	6 08 a.m.
Sun. 25	7 19 a.m.	6 08 a.m.
Mon. 26	7 46 a.m.	6 08 a.m.
Tues. 27	8 40 a.m.	6 08 a.m.
Wed. 28	9 33 a.m.	6 08 a.m.
Thurs. 29	10 29 a.m.	6 08 a.m.
	11 32 a.m.	6 08 a.m.

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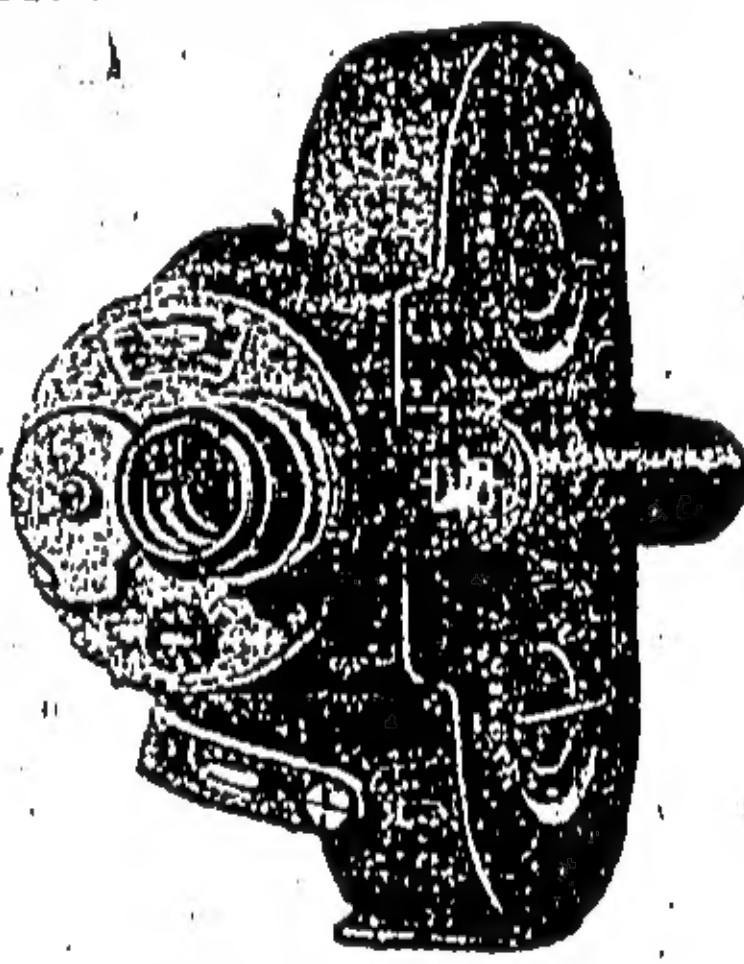
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THE PRESS.

The Prince of Wales has signified his intention of meeting the delegates to the Imperial Press Conference at a reception to be held at Bridgewater House, the seat of the Earl and Countess of Ellesmere. To the majority of readers this may appear to be a mere item of news of no particular interest. In reality, however, it is indicative of the revolution which has taken place in journalism and which has led to a corresponding change in the attitude of the public to that ancient profession. There was a time—our grandmothers probably remembered it—when members of the theatrical profession were regarded as being beyond the pale, just as they were until recently in democratic China. Eventually the public had to acknowledge the genius of such actors as Seymour, Kean and Irving, before whom they bowed down in the theatres in their reverence for the drama and its interpreters. It was a hard fight to secure recognition, and even the contemporaries of Garrick, who moved himself in a circle of famous and distinguished men and women, were despised by that jury of social manners, the middle classes. It is not necessary for an actor of repute nowadays to pay his tailor "cash down."

If the struggle for recognition by the members of the theatrical profession has been uphill, it has been no less heart-breaking for the profession of journalism. Now that the Press is, due to organisation and financial security, a very definite power in every

realm of public life, we can afford to glance cursorily upon its slow progress without timidity or loss of dignity.

There have been journalists ever since men began to be interested in man—and woman. They did not necessarily write down their impressions on stone or papyrus; they were the men who saw more than the average person, who detected the "human interest" in that which others would pass by without examination as mere detail. In time mankind grew to be dependent upon this class of "observer" and "chronicler," out of whose conversations or pamphlets evolved in the course of centuries the modern newspaper. Although writers of ability like Dr. Samuel Johnson and of genius like De Foe gave lustre and dignity to what was undoubtedly in their time a "miserable pot-boiling trade," many generations of hard and conscientious effort on the part of zealous and honourable men were to pass before the profession was to attain a social status equal to that of the legal and medical professions.

But to-day the position of journalism in world affairs is assured and its disciples are recognised by the leaders of society, of political and industrial life. Men of the calibre of the late Mr. T. P. O'Connor, Mr. J. L. Garvin of the Observer, Mr. A. G. Gardiner, Mr. St. John Adcock, and others, have established themselves and their profession on an unshakable pedestal of eminence, and few men of import can afford to ignore or neglect the influence of the Press. There is still much that needs to be done for the individual journalist, however, particularly in the lesser cities and towns where the spirit of parochialism obtains. Other than in the great cities there is still a suspicion by business men of newspapers and journalists, whose profession is not recognised as a profession because to enter it one needs no University degrees or other qualifications than intelligence and the ability to write. Undoubtedly, there is room for improvement here, and the time will come when positions on newspapers will be open to those only who are able to qualify for examinations equivalent to those for entrance into the other professions. Whilst this will undoubtedly enhance the prestige of the profession, it will lose it the services of a number of brilliant and imaginative men whose gifts do not include the ability to pass examinations. The only remedy in such an event would appear to be the modification of examina-

tions to suit the temperament and requirements of journalism. It is only fair to the public, whose educator the newspaper largely is, that the journalist should aspire to achieve an intellectual and moral standard, if only because of the great potentialities of the influence of character and individual beliefs through his writings. The journalist is gradually replacing the preacher and not a few ecclesiastics are exchanging the pulpit for the editorial chair. On the other hand, the public have a duty to discharge to journalism which they have been slow to realise. Not only have they failed to treat the members of the profession with dignity and respect, but are often under the impression that a reporter is a voluntary lackey to every member of the public. The day will dawn when it will be "the thing" to put sons and daughters in journalism, and people will look back on the evil times when journalists were despised as at some historic and unbelievable event of an ignorant civilisation.

News in Brief

The Hong Kong Branch of the R. E. Old Comrades' Association has been allotted places in the King's Birthday Parade to be held on June 3.

Sir Robert Ho Tung will be leaving for Shanghai per the s.s. Ranpura to-morrow, the 23rd inst., and will be away from the Colony for about three weeks.

About half a dozen Chinese children were at the Kowloon Magistrate's office this morning cautioned on charges of hawking without licenses. His Worship promised the boys a caning the next time.

The official opening of the Club-house of the Flying Club at Kai Tak will take place on May 31 at 4 p.m. His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.B.E., C.M.G., will perform the opening ceremony.

Mr. D. E. Cappleman, of the Standard Oil Co. of New York, whose death took place at the Italian Hospital, Peak Road, yesterday, was cremated after a burial service at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, last evening.

For the theft of a cotton singlet from a Chinese doctor living at 379 Shanghai Street, a street coolie was at the Kowloon Magistrate's office this morning sentenced to four months' hard labour. He is an old banished, having returned to the Colony in 1917.

Having committed an offence in 1921, for which he got fourteen days' jail, a Chinese was at the Kowloon Police Court this morning sentenced to four months' jail with hard labour, for the theft of a pair of trousers from a Chinese woman's basket at 43 Kramer Street. Accused was a yellow-lodger up to the time of the theft, when he disappeared, but was later arrested.

OLD MOORE.

Happier Life to Begin in 1931.

What does 1931 hold in store? Let the prophetic voice of Old Moore speak through the pages of Foulsham's Almanack, as it has done every year since 1697.

Old Moore is optimistic. He starts off in a foreword with a clarion cry, "Britons! get ready and prepare for the new and happier state of life which begins in 1931."

There are "black" days, however, in Old Moore's Calendar. On January 5 he predicts the death of an important member of the Ministry. February is a "black" month for India, and the old seer prophesies outbreak of violence and lawlessness in Calcutta.

Theatre Warning. Theatre goers should know of Old Moore's warning about March 20, a day which he has set apart for a disaster in a London theatre "which will exact a heavy toll among the younger generation."

March, in fact, in spite of the foreword, seems to be full of misadventure, accidents and disasters.

A famous political Minister will "pass over," according to Old Moore, in June, which is a bad month for our own Royal Family.

Old Moore has fixed the fall of the Government for the middle of October, and the return of a new National Party. Foreign and Empire trade will be one of the main issues before the electorate.

MID-LEVELS AMENITIES.

NEW MOTOR ROAD TO BE
READY.

PLAYGROUND SITES.

The fourth ordinary general meeting of the Mid-Levels Residents' Association was held yesterday at the offices of Messrs. Shewan Tomes & Co. Ltd., and was presided over by Mr. A. L. Shields.

Addressing the meeting, the Chairman said, inter alia:—
Perhaps the subject of most interest to residents of the Mid-Levels is the work which has been put in hand for the motor road—a project which your Association has brought into being by constantly urging our claims for adequate transport facilities. I should mention that since the report was issued we have received a communication from Government to the effect that it is anticipated the road will be completed by next November, therefore by the end of the year you will be able to experience the long awaited pleasure of driving home by car—or at least as far as May Road Tram Station.

Extension Possible.
Later as you may know, the intention is to carry the road on past Queen's Gardens and it is hoped Government will start work on this section at an early date to enable traffic to proceed at least as far as Aigburth Trail when section 1 is completed.

For The Children.

Personal observation will confirm the fact that, at the moment, most of the children—and here I speak for May Road—congregate either on those parts of the road sheltered from the sun, or in the vicinity of the Tram Station. Both spots are undesirable and certainly dangerous from the point of view of traffic, and whilst claiming very little knowledge of the science of infant welfare, I would also suggest that they are unhealthy, particularly when cutting and filling takes place for extension of the road. I should, therefore, like to hear from some of the members here to-night, better qualified to speak in this respect than myself, as to possible sites which we might suggest to Government for development as a children's playground.

"Marooned" in May Road.

The next matter I have to comment on is what must be called the unfortunate affair of the telephone box. To refresh your memories on the subject I must take you back to nearly two years ago when the committee received complaints from several members regarding the lack of facilities for obtaining chairs on a rainy day, or in any way being unable to communicate with anyone once you were landed—and isolated—at May Road Tram Station in a downpour. Your Committee, therefore, negotiated with the Telephone Company, who eventually compromised with us on the basis that we should instal the box and pay for the telephone as an ordinary subscriber.

I do not propose to dilate here on the duties of a public utility company, but I do think that the display of a more generous spirit on their part and the installation of public call boys would not have involved them in much loss. Unless, therefore, we are in for a long spell of wet weather, the box, under present conditions, will continue to show a loss and I, therefore, recommend that it be dismantled.

Noisy Police Reserves.

I do not know if members are aware of the cause of the frequent "bangs" which take place almost nightly up to about 11 a.m. The real reason is that the Police Reserves are practising on the revolver range just below the L.R.C.—and after dinner. I certainly think they might choose a more deserted locality or a different hour. We have done nothing officially yet, but I am told unofficially that in future revolver practice will probably stop at 7.30 p.m.

The Officers.

After the report and statement of accounts had been adopted, the committee was re-elected en bloc with power to add to their number and elect officers. Messrs. J. H. Brister and O. Steenstra having left the Colony, the present Committee consists of:—Messrs. A. L. Shields, Chairman, J. H. Backhouse, J. T. Bagram, L. Dunbar, A. H. Ferguson, Henry Humphreys, Mrs. G. Harman, Miss M. Kussell, and T. A. Martin, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer. During the latter's absence last year the duties were kindly carried out by Mr. Alan Reid.

Discussions.

Some discussions turned on the question of a suitable site for a children's playground and it was finally decided to write to Government in regard to three possible sites, namely, a piece of vacant ground in front of an L.R.C. tennis court; a grass tennis court at Queen's Gardens; and a piece of ground on the west side of Peak Road below the bridge.

ROUND THE CINEMAS

"Wild Orchids" at the
Star Theatre.

JAVANESE JUNGLE.

Greta Garbo in "Wild Orchids" was produced last night at the Star Theatre as the main feature in the programme. It is a film relating to the life of a Javanese prince (John Gilbert) and the adventures of a married couple in this land of everlasting heat. The scenic splendour was beyond dispute and the artistry of the palace and its inhabitants was very realistic, but in this land of perpetual heat Greta Garbo must need a scarf, a tight fitting hat, and a fur!

The dances performed by the Prince's retainers were fantastic and delightful, especially the sword dance which was performed by swarthy Javanese males. The surroundings of the royal palace were magnificent, the rooms luxurious, and the servants respectfully obedient to their imperial master.

A tiger hunt, which is arranged by the Prince in an endeavour to sever connections between John Sterling (Lewis Stone) and his wife (Greta Garbo), is interesting and realistic on account of the superb photography. The regal elephants, with their human burdens, foraging their way through dense jungle whilst the roaring of a tiger can be imagined in the distance, provide a picturesque and fascinating spectacle.

The story is the story of the films—the eternal triangle. On the one side a prosperous and elderly owner of a tea plantation and a young and beautiful wife who is very much in love with her husband; and on the other side, the handsome, young, and passionate native prince. How the battle rages for the prize of beauty and how it culminates in the dead of night in the midst of the jungle with a man-eating tiger, is the duty of all Star patrons to witness.

ORIENTAL COMPLEX.

Home Like Translated.
Chinese Mansions.

If there is one thing that is required of a leading lady in the movies it is versatility, according to pretty Dorothy Devore, who is seen featured in support of Ken Maynard in "Senor Daredevil," a First National picture which will be shown at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon, to-day.

The social rooms of Miss Devore's spacious home in Hollywood and her own bedroom are furnished and decorated entirely after the Chinese manner. The "table" is laid on the dining room floor. She wears Chinese pyjama suits in all her informal hours at home and has only Chinese servants and a cook.

Miss Devore wants it thoroughly understood that she doesn't confine her diet to chop-suey, which, as she'll tell you, is not a Chinese dish at all, but an American "invention." Moreover, her Chinese furnishings and ornaments were not made in Rahway, N.J., but were brought directly from the Orient, many of them by Miss Devore herself.

In "Senor Daredevil" Miss Devore has the sympathetic part of Sally Blake, who conducts the "eating house" in a California mining town during a gold rush.

She doesn't wear a Chinese suit in the whole picture, but her practical little riding habits and gingham gowns are very pretty, in keeping with her role. The picture was directed by Al Rogell, with a large featured cast. It is a Charles R. Rogers production.

Ten Years Ago

[From the "China Mail,"
May 23, 1920.]

To-day's dollar is worth 4/3 1/4d.

The Rt. Hon. Sir Joseph West Ridgeway, P.C., G.C.B., G.C.M.G., K.C.S.I., is a guest of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Stubbs at Government House for a few days whilst awaiting the departure of the s.s. Novara which is taking him back to England.

When a Chinese driver was charged before Mr. N. L. Smith this morning for leaving his car unattended, he stated that a person calling himself "Commander Kenderson," had ordered the car to be sent to the Hong Kong Hotel. From there he went to Spring Garden Lane and to the Naval Canton.

When he was asked for payment, the "Commander" refused to pay. The "Commander" tore the chit and hit him. The man then ran away, and he chased after him. That was the reason why his car was left unattended.

In dismissing the summons his Worship said it was a very difficult position for a Chinese to be in and to have to pursue a disreputable Englishman.

EDUCATION IN THE COLONY.

RADICAL REFORMS ARE NEEDED.

POSITION NOT REALISED.

From a reader the *China Mail* has received a letter and a series of articles on the subject of education, a perusal of which we confidently recommend to all interested in the subject and of which we shall be glad to have the views of others.

[To the Editor of "China Mail."] Sir,—Some pointed questions have been asked recently about the system and cost of Education in Hong Kong. I have recently gone to considerable trouble in the matter and have collected some very pertinent facts, after discussing the matter with quite a variety of friends, some of whom are in the Government Service, many are engaged in Schools and several are prominent business men, some of whom serve on local Committees of Grant-in-Aid Schools.

My conclusion is that the Colony does not realise the position as regards Education, and very possibly, in very much the same way, does not realise the position in regard to other Government Departments. It is my firm conclusion that, for example, in both the Medical and Education Departments radical reforms are needed. We now have a very energetic and far-seeing Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, who, if given the chance, will produce long overdue reforms in Medical matters. As there has not been a Director of Education for some fourteen months, as during the last sixteen years, the position has so often been filled by "Acting" appointments, and as there is a vacancy now, it would appear to be a very opportune moment for the new Governor to make changes in the Education Department, which, from facts which I shall present, seems to be a very expensive department in certain of its own Schools and which, at the same time, pays very meagre Grants to the Grant-in-Aid Schools, and especially to those Schools with British Teachers on their Staff.

My main points are: (1) Could we have a new Director of Education appointed from East or West Africa, or from the Straits Settlements, or from Shanghai? I have reasons for mentioning all these places.

(2) The Grant-in-Aid Schools are starved, although they do so much valuable work in the Colony. They should be supported more generously by the Government. The system of the Grants is out-of-date, and poor salaries are paid to the Staffs.

(3) The Government Schools only reach a small proportion of the population, and that at a high and, in some cases, at an unnecessary cost. (4) If the system of Education in Hong Kong were based upon the same system of Grants as in England, the Straits Settlements and elsewhere, many more scholars would receive Education at a cost which would average less than the cost at present in Government Schools.

I am sending to you articles or notes on the following:

- (1) The system of Education in Hong Kong.
- (2) Notes on the Salaries Commission—The Education Department.
- (3) Return showing the cost of Secondary Schools.
- (4) A list of fees charged at certain Schools in Hong Kong.
- (5) A comparison made between the Grants made to English Grant Schools in Hong Kong and in the Straits Settlements, and between the systems in the two places.

Yours etc, Lux.

SYSTEM EXAMINED.

Comparison Between Various Type of Schools.

There are several kinds of schools, viz. 1. Government Schools—A. British Schools for British Children: There are five such Schools, viz.: Central British, Kowloon Junior, Peak, Victoria British and Quarry Bay. For these Schools there were in 1927, thirty-four certificated Teachers and the number of scholars on the roll was 436. (Average Attendance—342). The average cost per head per annum to Government at the Central British School, which is a Secondary School (See later in my "Return of Secondary Schools") is, after deducting fees, \$592 per annum per Scholar. This cost does not, so far as I know, include the cost of passages, pensions, furloughs and repairs to buildings.

Economy might be made by using more Pupil Teachers or Teachers in Training at all the above Schools and by reducing starting salaries.

B. English Teaching Government Schools. For other than British Pupils. The total number on the roll in 1928 was 3,238. (Average Attendance—2,858). These School include, and, Schools or

Colleges as King's and Queen's Colleges, Ellis Kadoorie, Yaumatei, Wansai, Gap Road, Taikoo, Un Long, Ellis Kadoorie for Indians, Cheung Chau, and Belilios Public School for Girls, most of which rank as Secondary Schools (See my "Return of Secondary Schools"). The cost per head to Government of boys educated at King's and Queen's College is, after deducting fees, \$127 and \$170 per annum.

At these two Colleges the fees charged are \$96 per annum for senior boys in Classes 1, 2 and 3, and \$60 per annum for boys in Classes 4 to 8. At King's College the boys have the use of a Swimming Bath, Library, elaborately fitted Science Rooms, Gymnasium, an Art Room etc. No Grant-in-Aid Schools can compete with this. I doubt if there is any Secondary School in England which offers such facilities for such fees. They can be found in Canada and America but there the people pay heavy taxes. No wonder that King's College is full to overflowing. "You have one of the finest School buildings in the East fitted almost regardless of cost with everything which the heart of the most modern educational enthusiast can desire."

Yet, in spite of the large sums spent on King's College (they must come to a total of considerably more than a million dollars), it is easy to criticise the way in which the money has been lavished on the buildings, equipment, etc., in addition to the high cost of education there. For example, the College is built at the corner of two very busy roads; artificial light is needed in its Hall during examinations; at its opening ceremony it was hardly possible to hear the speakers, because of the noise in the streets, and a regret was expressed that it had no playing fields; several of its classrooms are below the level of the road and have dark green tiles all round the walls which make them darker than they need be. But, I am digressing somewhat. At Queen's and King's College there were, in 1928, 1,344 boys on the roll with an average attendance of 1,224. For these Scholars there were 29 certificated Teachers, 27 Anglo-Chinese Masters and 17 Vernacular Masters.

2. English Grant-in-Aid Schools—Grant Schools are Non-Government Schools and are generally Church Schools. In 1928 there were fifteen such Schools giving Secondary education, viz.: St. Joseph's College, Italian Convent, French Convent, Diocesan Girls' School, Diocesan Boys' School, St. Mary's, St. Francis, St. Joseph's, Bracken, St. Paul's College, Wah Yan, St. Stephen's Girls' College, Fairless, Victoria Home, Ying Wah and St. Paul's Girls. In these English Grant Church Schools there were on the roll, in 1928, 5,268 scholars (Average Attendance 4,658). The figures for English Government Secondary Schools which do the same work as these Non-Government Schools are 3,051, with an average attendance of 2,786. (Also see my "Return on Secondary Schools"). Thus it will be seen that the Grant-in-Aid Schools supply education in Secondary Schools for many more scholars than the Government Schools. The figures are taken from the Blue Book for 1928. Now let us examine the cost to the Colony of Grant-in-Aid Schools. The cost per head per annum to Government for educating a Scholar in a Grant-in-Aid School is fixed by the Grant Code which pays very meagre Grants indeed, viz:

For Scholars in Classes 1 and 2, \$50 per annum per head.
For Scholars in Classes 3 to 6, \$30 per annum per head.
For Scholars in Classes 7 and 8, \$20 per annum per head.

A comparison as to the cost in Government Secondary Schools will be found in my Return for the same. From this Return it will be seen that the Government Secondary Schools educate 2,786 scholars (Average Attendance) at a cost to the Colony of \$410,500; The Church Secondary Schools

educate 5,268 scholars at a cost of \$129,000. These figures, after deducting fees, are taken from the 1928 Blue Book. These Schools do not cost the Colony the same as Government Schools, but, at present, some of them are starved, especially those Schools which employ British Staffs, and, as stated elsewhere, only get the same grants as schools with local Staffs. In the Straits Settlements such Schools are financed in a similar way to Government Schools, but even then they are less expensive than Government Schools and the Staff do not get Pension, or the full allowances of the Government Schools. A somewhat similar system in Hong Kong would appear to be the only equitable system. Some of these Grant Schools, that is those under a Mission, receive financial help from Missionary Societies in England; others, like the two Diocesan Schools, receive no such help and are what we might call Colonial Church Schools.

3.—There are other kinds of Schools all of which have to be registered, viz.: (1) Private English Schools—e.g. such as St. Stephen's Boys' College at Stanley. Such a School receives no local Grant but part of its Staff is paid by Grants from the Church Missionary Society, London. (2) Government Vernacular Schools (3) Vernacular Grant Schools (Non-Government). (4) Private Schools, Urban Districts, (5) Private Schools, Rural Districts.

4.—Vernacular Education has received great encouragement in recent years. If the greatest good is to be done for the greatest number, the Government might well consider increasing its work in Vernacular Schools, where adequate fees can be charged, and where the fees can more proportionately meet the cost of education. At the same time it should be remembered that a surfeit of education, suddenly, is bad for a country. The most outstanding example of this can be seen, for example, in the Philippine Islands.

The weak point in the Government Vernacular Education is the lack of English Inspectors. The position of English Inspector of Vernacular Education was, in the opinion of very many people, very unwisely abolished in 1925. If this type of education is to be encouraged, English Inspectors, with a knowledge of Chinese, should be appointed. In Hong Kong the Government might well support existing Secondary Schools, especially those with British Teachers, and let the Churches continue their excellent work. They have Schools and fees which suit all kinds of people and, generally speaking, as was acknowledged in a certain Commission on education elsewhere, there is less likelihood of students getting "up agin' the Government" in Church Schools than there is in Government Schools. That is obvious.

It is, however, certain that the Colony of Hong Kong, with its present revenue and system of taxation, cannot afford to continue to educate scholars in Government Secondary Schools at the cost of \$410,500 per annum for 2,786 Scholars.

MR. A. REMEDIOS.

Death of Former Hong Kong Man.

Tientsin, May 12. The death occurred at Victoria Hospital on Saturday night (May 10) of Mr. A. M. P. Remedios, who has been in the employ of the local branch of the Chartered Bank practically ever since it was established here, and was before then with the bank in Hong Kong, where he was born 67 years ago. He underwent an operation two or three days ago for an internal trouble, to which he succumbed. Older residents will remember his skill at Billiards, a game at which he used to be very successful, winning many local tournaments. The funeral took place at the Race-Course Road Cemetery.



A LABOUR "REBEL"—Sir Oswald Mosley, immensely rich and brilliant young Labour member of Parliament, who resigned his post in the Cabinet, is shown here with his equally rich wife, the former Lady Cynthia Curzon, daughter of the former

RADIO FANS TO PAY MORE?

H.E. THE GOVERNOR WANTS GUIDANCE.

"IF RATES ARE DOUBLED."

His Excellency Sir William Peel made a very friendly gesture to the Unofficial members of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council yesterday through the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern (Colonial Secretary), who presided at the meeting of the Finance Committee.

In regard to the vote for \$50,000 for a broadcast transmitter, the Chairman said:—

I am instructed by His Excellency to say that it appears to him that \$50,000 is rather a large sum of money to spend on this transmitter but he is prepared to be guided by the advice of the Unofficial members of the Finance Committee. His Excellency said he was not sufficiently acquainted with the position at the moment to say definitely whether the money should be spent and he is therefore prepared to be guided by your advice. The Director of Public Works can give any further information members desire.

To Raise Licence Fees? The Director of Public Works.—Mr. King informs me that the present broadcasting apparatus, which is only half a kilowatt, is old and out of date. The new one will be a 2-K.W. transmitter and besides being useful for meteorological warnings broadcast to ships—more particularly to the small ships using the port—it will much improve broadcasting in the Colony. It will be of the same strength as the one in Canton. Mr. King anticipates it will be possible to raise licence fees for broadcasting. He has placed figures before me which show that if the present rates are doubled we shall have an income of \$35,000 in 1931 and for \$39,000 in 1932 from licences alone. This will more than pay for the cost of the instrument.

After further discussions, the vote was approved.

The other votes, as published in the *China Mail* yesterday, were all approved.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 235 metres:—

6-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-7.30 p.m.—Lesson in Cantonese by Rev. H. R. Wells.
7.30-10.30 p.m.—Programme of Columbia Records by Courtesy of Messrs. Anderson Music Company: "Aida-Selection" (Verdi, arr. Tavan), New Queen's Hall Light Orchestra Conducted by Percy Pitt. "Orpheus With His Lute" (Shakespeare-Sullivan). "Danny Boy" (Weatherly-Londonderry Air). Dora Labbette, Soprano with Piano.

"I Found Sunshine In Your Smile" (Leslie and Gilbert). "Virginia" (Bryan, Schuster and Phillips). Layton and Johnstone. American Duet. "Whispering Willows" (Haff-Gil, 55, No. 3). "Hungarian Dance in D Minor" (Brahms-Jacchini). Violin Solo by Arthur Catterall with Piano.

"The Gondolier" (Gilbert & Sullivan). "The Knitting Song" (Sir C. Sedley & H. Purcell, edited E. Duncan). John Coates, Tenor (Gerald Moore at the Piano). "Lucky Girl" (Furber, Weston, Lee & Charles) Payne and the B.E.C. Dance Orchestra.

"Parted" (Toth). "Wait" (Gay d'Hardelet). Hubert Elsdell, Tenor with Piano.

"Manolo" (Waldteufel). "Erin" (Maxeyton). Recorded at the National Union of School Orchestra 1927 Concert at the Crystal Palace, conducted by Allen Gill, F.R.A.M.

"Lumber Love" (Stiles & Emmett Adams). Lyceum Theatre Chorus with Lyceum Theatre Orchestra.

"Two Black Crows in Hand" (Moran & Mack). Moran and Mack. "Wood Nymphs" (Eric Coates). "Summer Days Suite" (Eric Coates).

New Queen's Hall Light Orchestra, conducted by Eric Coates.

"The Emigrant" (Macfarren & Grieg). "The Nightingale" (Corder & Grieg). Dora Labbette, Soprano with Orchestra.

"Marching Song" (Gustav Holst). "The Planets" (Gustav Holst). Gustav Holst, conducting the London Symphony Orchestra.

"Two Black Crows in the Jail House" (Mack). Moran and Mack. "Hercules" (M. W. Delf). "Jolly Fellows" (Vallstedt). New Concert Orchestra, conducted by Anton Welas.

"Lucia Di Lammermoor" (Donizetti). "La Sonnambula" (Bellini). Maria Gentile, Dina Borgioli; G. Pedroni; I. Mammariello & La Scala Chorus with Orchestra.

"The Maid of the Mountains" (Pate, Morgan & Fraser-Simson). London Repertoire Orchestra.

"Kilmarney" (M. W. Delf). "Kathleen Mavourneen" (F. N. Crouch). Francis Russell, Tenor with Orchestra.

"Kol Nidrei" (Max Reich-Op. 47). Cello Solo by Felix Salmeron.

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"Love, Here is my Heart" (Silesu).

"Love Everlasting" (Frill). Jean Lensen and His Orchestra.

"Burlesca" (Scarlatti-Madami). "Mimosa" (Lull-Madami). Madami Instrumental Quartet (Mandolins and Guitars).

"In Springtime" (Shakespeare & Newton). "At Love's Beginning" (Campbell & Lehmann).

Duet: Dora Labbette and Norman Allin, with Piano.

Piano Exaggerations: No. 1—Louse Elbows" (Billy Mayerl).

No. 2—"Antiquary" (Billy Mayerl).

Pianoforte Solo by Billy Mayerl.

"The Lea Rig" (Burns-J. M. Dick).

"The Road to the Isles" (M. Kennedy-Fraser). Laidlaw Murray, Baritone, with Piano.

Puppets Suite: No. 1—"Golliwog" (Mayerl).

No. 2—"Judy" (Mayerl). Piano Solo by Billy Mayerl.

10.30—Close Down.

BRITAIN AND EGYPT.

(Continued from Page 1.)

facilities for the other in foreign countries; the British recognition of Egypt's responsibility for the lives and property of foreigners in Egypt; an agreement of each to come to the aid of the other as an ally should it ever become engaged in war. It was also provided possible at an early stage to reach agreement on certain formal articles of the proposed draft.

Regarding the draft clauses eight and ten, it was agreed that their substance should be embodied in an exchange of notes indicating Britain's appreciation of Egypt's desire to facilitate progressively the Egyptianisation of services, but that the termination of employment of British officials should not involve their replacement by some other foreign influence. There was discussion on the next draft clause dealing with capitulations, but complete agreement on this complex subject was reached. After discussion draft clause 12, relating to diplomatic representation, was also accepted.

Very lengthy discussions on the question of the defence of the Suez Canal, which formed the basis of draft clause nine, resulted in an agreement to the concentration of British forces to the west of the Canal in the neighbourhood of Ismailia, subject to reduction from 25 to 20 years of period during which the treaty would not be open to revision except by mutual consent.

Problem of Soudan. It was early recognised that the Soudan, which was the subject of clause 13 of last year's proposals, was likely to present a formidable problem and, as events proved, it was the inability to reach accord upon the phrasing of this article that caused the final breakdown. During the discussions an adjournment was sought to enable Nashed Pasha to consult his colleagues in Cairo, and ultimately on May 5 he communicated a complete but modified draft of the treaty which was the alternative for the Soudan article, together with the new draft. This was to be annexed to the treaty. The alternative Egyptian drafts proved later that the Soudan question should be reserved for future negotiations for one year, or that it would be reserved for future negotiations and that, meanwhile, the facts position obtaining in the Soudan before 1924 should be restored. A similar suggestion having already been rejected, Nashed Pasha was informed that until he agreed to a restoration of the British draft no treaty was possible. At a meeting which took place the following day the Egyptian delegation expressed their willingness to accept the British draft with some amendments.

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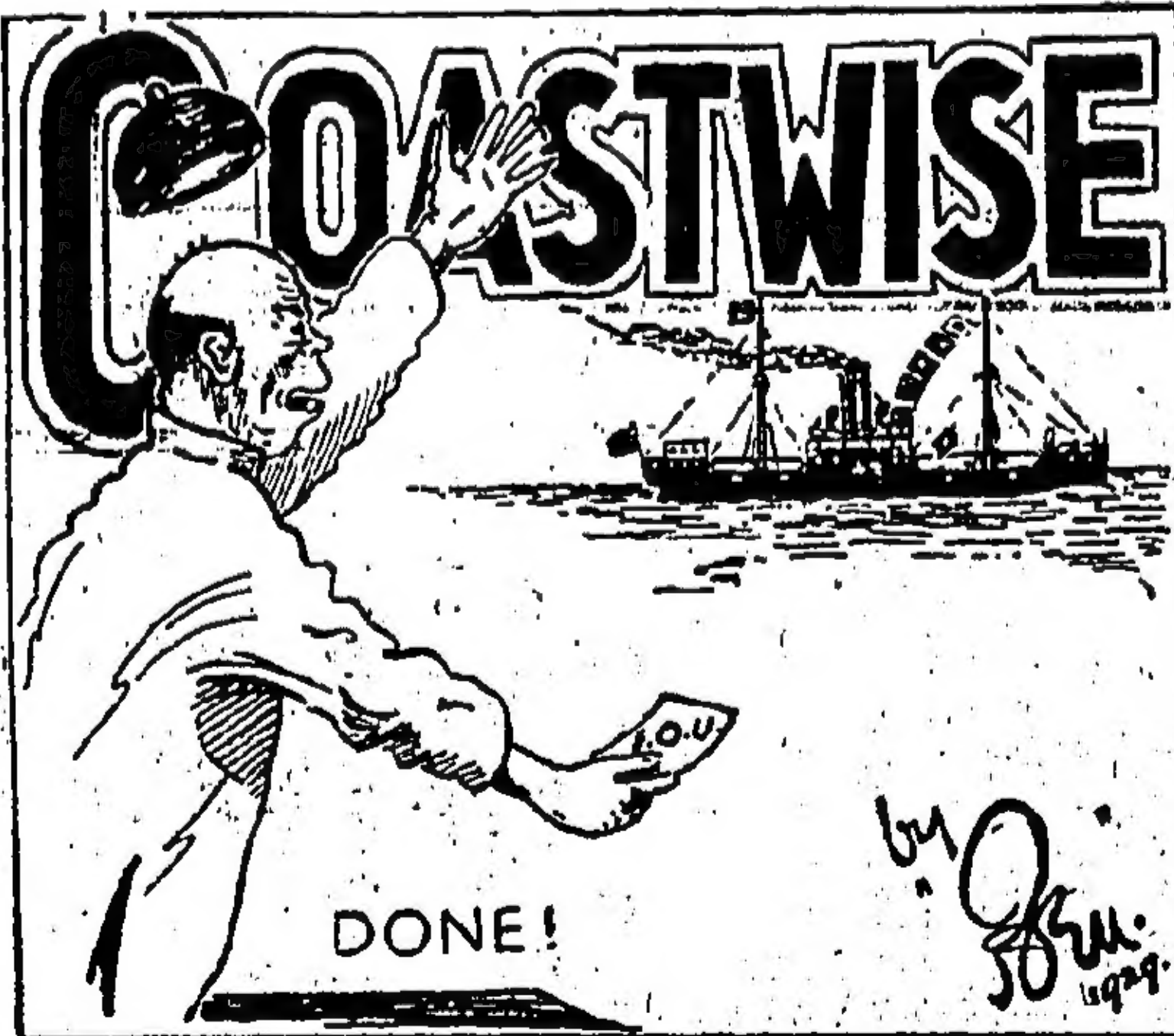
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LAWN BOWLS.

Prospects for Games To-morrow.

PERSONNEL OF THE TEAMS.

(By "Short Head.")
Another series of interesting League matches is down for decision to-morrow, but owing to considerations of space brevity in dealing with them is a necessity. First on the official card is the meeting between the Kowloon Bowling Green Club and the Civil Service Cricket Club. Last year to-morrow's visitors went down by 61-58 and after the Craigengower C.C. left both points behind them a week ago they will have to go all out to avoid the same fate. They will have two changes in their team as compared with a week ago, Oswald retaining his place in Brown's rink and Moss having Taylor as No. 3. I hear that in the Kowloon team Holland is unavailable and that Gow will take his place. The feeling in Kowloon is that it will be a close game but that the locals will just get home by a close margin.

K.C.C. v. Police.
This is one of those games where the unexpected may happen, for the Police are by no means downhearted. They lost here by only three last season. The Craigengower C.C. realise that they cannot afford to give any more points away, particularly on their own green, and they are likely to amass as big a score as possible before that fatal tea interval arrives. A year ago this match was won by the home team by 62-50. After their tie with Tai Koo a week ago they should consider their chances to-morrow very good. On the other hand, the Dock have some good fighters and will make the Club de Recreo go the whole way.

Tai Koo v. K.C.C.
Tai Koo won a year ago by 75-47, and the composition of their rinks to-morrow suggests that they are likely to win again, even though the margin be smaller. So far the Tai Koo Club have won one, lost one, and drawn one, whilst the K.C.C. have won one and lost two.

Second Division.
The Civil Service C.C. are at home to the Craigengower C.C. and as they lost last season by 58-53 they may expect to be pushed all the way to-morrow. Whilst the Civil Service have won three games, the Craigengower have won only one, so that this season's form favours the former if they exercise a little care.

Electric v. Tai Koo.
The home team won last year by 64-59. This year the Electric have lost three matches and the Tai Koo two matches (the latter having played only two). A win for the Electric would please their supporters immensely, but Tai Koo may also consider that it is time that they began to collect some points.

Yacht Club v. K.B.G.C.
The result last season was 52-51 in favour of the K.B.G.C. This season the Yacht Club have won one and lost one, whilst the K.B.G.C. have had three fairly comfortable wins. Unless a debacle happens on one of the rinks to-morrow the result should be almost as close as last season, with the winners hard to choose beforehand.

K.C.C. v. Club de Recreo.
A year ago the Club de Recreo won by 71-64. So far this season the K.C.C. have won two and lost one match, whilst the de Recreo have lost two and won one. The advantage of ground may just turn the scales in favour of the K.C.C.

TO-MORROW'S TEAMS.

Division I.
Tai Koo R.C.—J. C. Chalmers, J. Polson, J. Russell and W. Wotherspoon (Skip).
J. B. Chapman, T. Grimes, N. Drummond and J. Ferguson (Skip).
G. McLeod, J. Sloan (Sen.), J. Loring and R. Wallace (Skip).
K.C.C.—F. Goodwin, H. Overy, J. C. Lyle and L. E. Lammert (Skip).
H. Githin, C. J. Tacchi, A. Hyde Lay and J. Fraser (Skip).
A. C. Burford, J. Howe, B. E. Fetherham and A. E. Silkestone (Skip).
J. Jones, S. E. Alderman, H. Holland and A. O. Brown (Skip).
Kowloon Dock R.C.—W. Craig, Ramsay, T. Cullen and W. M.

HOME CRICKET.

W. H. Ponsford Gets Going.

TOURISTS' ADVANTAGE.

London, Yesterday.
The first day's play in the match between the Australians and Derbyshire at Chesterfield yielded little interest beyond the fact that Derby became the first county to score above the double century against the tourists. The county scored 215 and at the close of play the "Aussies" were 54 with all their wickets outstanding.
To-day the tourists completed their innings for 348 runs. W. H. Ponsford followed up his 82 not out against the M.C.C. by scoring 131, his first century of the tour and the sixth Australian century. Archie Jackson, who made 64 against the M.C.C., was again in form with the bat, scoring 63. Worthington followed up his 79 against the Australians by taking 4 wickets for 103 runs and Mitchell, a right handed slow bowler, took 4 wickets for 78 runs. Derbyshire thus had to-day with 133 runs to knock off before any progress can be made.

Derbyshire: 215 (Storer 65, Worthington 79, P. M. Hornbrook 6-61).
Australians: 348 (W. H. Ponsford 131, A. Jackson 63, Worthington 79-103, Mitchell 4-78).
Reuter.

SHAMROCK V.

Speed Claimed to Be Underestimated.

London, Yesterday.
In view of the speed developed by Shamrock Fifth, which won all the four races she entered at Southend and Harwich, Sir Thomas Lipton has communicated with the Yacht Racing Association pointing out that her speed factor has been underestimated, and suggesting that the handicap be revised or altogether waived, thus adding a more sporting interest to next week's races on the Solent.—Reuter.

GOLF.

Starting Times for Week-End.

The Royal Hong Kong Golf Club notifies the following starting times for to-morrow:—
9.16 a.m.—A. E. Lissaman v. S. C. Feltham.
Sunday.
0.16 a.m. D. J. Gilmore, J. Stuart.
0.20 " A. Leach, C. Mycock.
0.24 " A. Sommerfeldt, D. S. Robb.
0.28 " I. H. Geare, W. C. Shields.
0.32 " A. D. Humphreys, O. Egger.
0.36 " D. J. Keogh, J. F. Hollingdale.
0.40 " G. E. Ellams, G. W. Sellers.
0.44 " K. S. Morrison, E. D. Lawrence.
0.48 " A. H. Alexander, A. T. Lay.
0.52 " J. M. Walker, F. L. Bumpfheys.

Johnston (Skip).
H. G. Cooper, E. Docherty, W. P. Hedley and R. Lapsley (Skip).
C. Atkinson, J. McKelvie, F. C. Goodman and S. Gray (Skip).
Police R.C.—McLeod, G. Alexander, Marks and West (Skip).
Brittain, Dick, Nolan and Post (Skip).
Dall, McHardy, Fender and Hargreaves (Skip).
Division II.
K.C.C.—F. C. Herridge, J. S. Dinnen, T. W. Carr and L. J. Blackburn (Skip).
W. Borrowman, L. A. Jeeves, W. W. Hirst and V. C. Labrum (Skip).
O. B. Raven, W. Goldenberg, F. E. Lawrence and D. A. Purves (Skip).
Electric Co. R.C.—A. Tarbuck, T. P. Sanderson, D. S. Hill and W. H. B. Musket (Skip).
W. Stoker, G. T. Padgett, F. F. Duckworth and H. Hatch (Skip).
S. J. Clarke, E. Thompson, J. F. Lunny and L. de Rome (Skip).
Tai Koo R.C.—A. Stalker, T. Stanton, W. Bell and R. K. Duncan (Skip).
W. Cunningham, W. Brown, S. Amery and J. J. Whyte (Skip).
W. Sloan (jun.), T. Swan, G. H. Stewart and D. Walmaley (Skip).
Civil Service C.C.—F. H. Holdman, R. W. Wood, J. W. Deakin and F. H. W. Haynes (Skip).
L. G. Luck, H. Strange, R. E. Davies and W. E. Hollands (Skip).
L. R. Whant, J. J. Blackford, E. J. Holland, and A. E. Murphy (Skip).

OLYMPIA BOULDS.

SMITH WINS HEAVYWEIGHT.

LONSDALE OUT SEVERED.

At Olympia, London, yesterday, of Deptford, outpointed Donald Shortland in 15-rounds contest for the heavyweight championship.

Middleweights.

In the British Middleweight Championship, Len Harvey, the holder, beat Steve McCall of Glasgow. The referee stopped the fight at the ninth round of a 15-round contest.

Featherweights.

In the British Featherweight Championship, Johnny Cuthbert, the holder, outpointed Dom Volante in a 15-round contest. Harvey and Cuthbert thus both win the Lonsdale Belt outright.

Bantamweights.

In the bantamweights Dick Corbett, of Bethnal Green, beat Willie Smith of South Africa on points over a fifteen-rounds contest.—Reuter.

WAH YAN COLLEGE.

Annual Athletic Meeting.

RECORDS BROKEN.

Good sport was seen on the South China Athletic ground, Caroline Hill, yesterday afternoon when the Wah Yan College held its annual athletic meeting in the presence of a large gathering of spectators. Several of the times recorded by the school's athletes last year were broken yesterday, and this was the subject of comment by Mr. E. Ralphs, Director of Education, who distributed the prizes. He congratulated the athletes on their fine performance, and also Mr. A. J. Mauricio, the sports coach, for producing such fine sportsmen.

RESULTS.

100 Yards Senior:—1st, Kun Ping-hoi; 2nd, Liu Kong-kun. Time: 12.3/5 secs.
100 Yards Junior:—1st, Leung Chok-cheung; 2nd, Tsang Hin-ho. Time: 12.2/5 secs.
220 Yards Senior:—1st, Liu Kong-kun; 2nd, Kung Cheung-yee. Time: 25 secs.
220 Yards Junior:—1st, Leung Chok-cheung; 2nd, Tsang Hin-ho. Time: 25.4/5 secs.
100 Yards Small Boys' Race:—1st, Shuen Po-fong; 2nd, Li Shui-cheung. Time: 15 secs.
Quarter Mile Senior:—1st, Lam Yiu; 2nd, Leung Kwan. Time: 1 min.
Quarter Mile Junior:—1st, Leung Chok-cheung; 2nd, Tsang Hin-ho. Time: 1 min. 10.3/5 secs.
120 Yards Handicap Small Boys' Race:—1st, Chow Hon-shu; 2nd, Shuen Po-fong.
Long Jump Senior:—1st, Lam Yiu; 2nd, Kung Ping-hoi. Distance: 17 ft.
Obstacle Race Senior:—1st, Wong Hoi-shing; 2nd, Wong Wai.
Sack Race Small Boys only:—1st, Cheung Tung-choi; 2nd, Chow Hui-shu.
Bicycle Race (two miles):—1st, Ho Shu-kong; 2nd, Lam Fuk-ching. Time: 8 mins. 5 secs.
Putting the Weights:—1st, Wong Hoi-shing; 2nd, Leung Kun. Distance: 32 1/2 ft.
Three-Legged Race Open:—1st, Shek Kam-yu and Chan Shiu-lun; 2nd, Li Chung-choi and Cheung Ho-tung.
Low Hurdles Junior:—1st, Leung Chok-cheung; 2nd, Yip Tim-shou. Time: 20.4/5 secs.
Low Hurdles Senior:—1st, Tai Kating; 2nd, Lam Yiu. Time: 18.1/5 secs.
Inter-School Relay Race was won by the St. Paul's School team.
Senior High Jump:—1st, Lam Yiu; 2nd, Lin Kong-kun. Height: 5 ft. 1 1/2 ins.
Boarders' Quarter Mile Race:—1st, Kwong Tai-cheung; 2nd, Wong Chou-chung.
Open Half Mile Race:—1st, Liu Kong-kun; 2nd, Lam Yiu. Time: 2 mins. 27 secs.
Old Boys' Race:—1st, Chan Kam-wai; 2nd, E. Chan.
220 Yards Invitation Race:—1st, Cheung Shiu-nam; 2nd, Chan Yiu-tin; 3rd, J. Mak.
Open One Mile Race:—1st, Tam Chung-ying; 2nd, Chung Chan-fan. Time: 5 mins. 58 secs.
Boys' Scouts' Race:—1st, A. Hunt; 2nd, P. Kooing.
Teachers' Race 220 Yards (Handicap):—1st, Mr. E. Zimmerman; 2nd, Mr. Mauricio; 3rd, Mr. Jerome Lau. The tug-of-war was won by boys of 43.
Eggs and Spoon Race:—1st, Mr. Glickrist and partner; 2nd, Mr. E. Zimmerman and Miss Chan.
Consolation Race 120 Yards:—1st, Chung Chan-lam; 2nd, Ho Shu-wai.
Inter-Class Relay Race was won by 3A.
The Senior Championship was won by Lam Yiu and the Junior Championship won by Leung Chok-cheung.

DAVIS CUP.

Legal Men's "Friendly" Game.

The solicitors and office staff of Deacons spent a pleasant afternoon at the Indian Recreation Club yesterday when they met in a friendly tennis match.

The game was played under the regular League rules, and resulted in an easy win for the solicitors by six sets to three.

The scores were:—
W. E. L. Shenton and R. A. Wadsworth:—lost to Ho Wai-hing and T. Leonard 1-6
lost to Chan So and Lo Kin-chak 0-6
lost to J. S. A. Curran and N. B. Kitchell 1-6
M. H. Turner and W. C. Hung:—lost to Ho Wai-hing and T. Leonard 0-1
lost to Chan So and Lo Kin-chak 0-1
lost to J. S. A. Curran and N. B. Kitchell 0-4
H. J. Armstrong and O. E. C. Marton:—lost to Ho Wai-hing and T. Leonard 0-2
lost to Chan So and Lo Kin-chak 0-2
lost to J. S. A. Curran and N. B. Kitchell 0-2

K.C.C. v. H.K. & S. BANK.

The following will represent the K.C.C. in a friendly game against a team from the Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank on Saturday at 4 p.m. on K.C.C. ground:—
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BILLIARDS.

Two Players Go to Law.

SCENE IN TAXI-CAB.

Clark McConachy, professional billiards player, was at Manchester on April 5 bound over to be of good behaviour toward Willie Smith, another billiards professional, till April 10, on which date he left Britain. A summons against McConachy alleging that he assaulted Smith in a taxi-cab was dismissed.

Mr. Butlin, for Smith, said that the two men were playing at Manchester, the deciding game of a match on March 31. McConachy made complaints about the billiards balls and the cloth on the table. He said the ball he was using was not in order, and Smith said he was willing to use it. They exchanged, and Smith was still using the alleged defective ball.

Lator, Mr. McConachy declared the balls were not a neutral set and that they were a set belonging to Smith. He asked if they could be weighed.

The two players and the referee went to Biffroughs and Watts' premises, and while in the taxi-cab on the way, McConachy, said Mr. Butlin, repeated that "they are not a neutral set. They are Smith's set." Smith replied, "that's a lie and you know it is."

McConachy stood up in a threatening attitude, and said to Smith, "I'll knock your head off." Smith tried to open the door, and McConachy struck him in the chest and knocked him back on to his seat. Then McConachy shouted, "I'll kill you before I leave Manchester."

Mr. Jess Ryeoff, for McConachy, said that McConachy said that he made only genuine complaints. In the taxi-cab McConachy only put his hand on Smith's chest and said, "Sit down." The referee got hold of his arm, and, as there were two against him, he threatened to "Clean them both up."

It was found later that, though the balls were all of the same weight, they were not all the same size.

VARSITY GOLF.

Departure from R. & A. Rules Criticised.

The golf world is stirred by the unprecedented action of the Oxford and Cambridge captains in the Inter-Varsity Golf match in deciding to disregard the Royal and Ancient rules and make their own in consequence of water-filled bunkers. They arranged to lift without penalty from some of the bunkers and to regard others as out of bounds.

A number of prominent golfers have expressed disapproval of such a revolutionary departure and it is stated that the Royal Liverpool Club, on whose course the matches were played, was gravely concerned at such a step in an important representative match, but had no voice in the arrangement and no opportunity of expressing disapproval.

Mr. R. H. de Montmorency declared that a match played under rules not coinciding with the Royal and Ancient rules should not constitute a match.

Sir Ernest Holderness also expresses the opinion that the captains were not justified, though he admits they were faced with miserable conditions.

The American captain of Oxford, Baugh, declared in an interview that the action of the Oxford and Cambridge captains, took appeared to be the most feasible way of surmounting their difficulties. The experiment worked well, and both Prain and he were satisfied with the result.

Baugh, who said Prain backed him up, added: "We certainly did not mean to cause criticism. Had we known that that would be the result and that there would be any objection to the experiment, we would certainly not have made it."

POLICE LOSS.

Sub-Inspector Charles Pain Leaving.

A PARTING TRIBUTE.

Sub-Inspector Charles Pain of the Police Force, Officer in Charge of the Upper Levels Police Station, Hospital Road, leaves the Colony on retirement by the P. & O. s.s. Mantua to-morrow, after nearly 22 years' service.

A native of London, Mr. Pain arrived in the Colony as a Police Constable on October 31, 1908. He came here from England, but had previous to his appointment to the local Police Force served for a period in the Transvaal Town Police, which he joined from the Army Ordnance Corps, after serving through the Boer War.

Quite a young man at the time of his arrival here, he was only 25 years of age, Mr. Pain proved to be a capable Officer already acquainted with Police work, and soon became a valued member of the local Force.

Promotion came to him as follows:

Acting Lance Sergeant, April 10, 1913.
Lance Sergeant, March 14, 1914.
Sergeant, September 11, 1919.
Sub-Inspector, January 17, 1921.

He is the Senior Sub-Inspector of the Police Force.

Zeal and Pluck.

Recognition of his services came in the year 1919 when he was awarded the fourth class Police Medal, on August 12 of that year, for zeal and pluck in the arrest of an armed robber named Lo Cheung at 50 Bonham Strand under dangerous circumstances. Lo Cheung was sentenced at the Criminal Sessions to five years' hard labour on January 22, 1919.

Further evidence of the recognition of his capabilities as a Police Officer came last year when from March 3 to October 1, he was seconded for special and responsible service at Shamen as acting Superintendent, vice Captain Clements.

A man of very genial disposition, Mr. Pain is very popular with his colleagues in the Police Force as well as a large number of civilian friends who will regret his going.

Good Wishes.

The China Mail is no doubt expressing the sentiments of his colleagues and friends by wishing Mr. Pain Godspeed and a long and happy retirement in the Homeland.

"Charlie," as Mr. Pain is affectionately called by his friends, has so far succeeded in remaining a bachelor, but "Sandy," the Police sage, says: "Hard work is the only thing that will keep a man's mind off the women, and a lad's thought is bound to turn to matrimony when he has nothing better to do." So, in spite of "Charlie's" protestation that he intends to keep busy by running a tripe shop, we may yet hear of a Mrs. Pain!

A Presentation.

In the Police Canteen at Headquarters this morning, a presentation was made to Mr. Pain, who was the recipient of a large clock, a set of three cut glass decanters, in an oak frame, and a set of tea spoons and forks, subscribed for by his colleagues.

In making the presentation, Mr. T. H. King, said that he was doing so with feelings which were tinged with regret and pleasure—regret, because they were losing a senior officer who held the esteem and good will of all his fellows, both senior and junior, and pleasure because Mr. Pain was going on well earned, and they all hoped, a good long pension.

After referring to Mr. Pain's career in the Army, in the Transvaal Police, in the local Force, and as acting Superintendent of Police at Shamen, Mr. King expressed surprise that a man with twinkling eyes and a genial smile like Mr. Pain had escaped the various beauties who must have crossed his trail. Perhaps his good friend, Chief Inspector Paterson, had told Mr. Pain too much about the ladies!

His Hour Has Struck.

However, Mr. Pain had the example before him of the late Chief Detective-Inspector Murlison, and

UNPARALLELED CASE.

Defendant Loses Mortgage Dispute.

IMMEDIATE EXECUTION.

Mak Chun-loong, who called himself Ng Shing, lost his case at the Supreme Court yesterday after a protracted hearing.

In giving judgment his Lordship, Sir Joseph H. Kemp, K.C., said that it would be unnecessary for Mr. H. G. Sheldon, Counsel for the plaintiffs, to address him.

He found that the defendant was not Ng Shing. He had listened to the case very carefully and he thought that the defendant had conducted his case very well. He also considered that the criticism made of the evidence of the plaintiffs contained points which were distinctly of substance and importance. There were also points in defendant's evidence which were in his favour. But he thought that the defendant had relied too much on the fact that he had won his case at the Criminal Sessions last year, and he would like to point out to defendant that he was acquitted because the prosecution failed to prove its case against him. He would, therefore, enter judgment against defendant. He would award damages to the amount of \$8,600, of which \$5,000 was the value of the launch and \$3,600 for the loss of the launch for 12 trips.

Mr. Sheldon applied for an immediate execution, saying that the case was unparalleled in his experience of Court work, and he thought it was possibly unparalleled in the experience of his Lordship. He hoped that his Lordship would never again have to listen to such allegations of forgery against a solicitor practising in the Supreme Court of which his Lordship was Chief Justice.

His Lordship said that he was willing to say that he did not think the documents in question were forgeries. The suggestion made by the defendant need not necessarily be construed as an allegation against the solicitor.

Mr. Sheldon said that when a litigant made such a suggestion in Court, his Lordship need not have any sympathy for the man, and he must ask for immediate execution.

His Lordship granted the application.

that when he got home he would soon be looking for something to do. Then, he would advise him to find a wife and continue to be diligent in the service of his country! He wished Mr. Pain all good luck in that quest, and in presenting him with the clock he could not help thinking that it suggested that Mr. Pain's hour had struck.

Mr. Pain, who was deeply moved, thanked Mr. King and his friends in a few well chosen words. Afterward his health was drunk with musical honours, the gathering singing "For he's a jolly good fellow." Mr. Pain was also given three hearty cheers and a "Tiger."

Included in the gathering were Mr. W. Kent and Mr. Scott, Assistant Superintendents of Police, and Chief Inspectors Grant and Paterson.

Africa To Hong Kong.

Mr. Pain joined the then Army Ordnance Corps in 1900 and went to South Africa in March 1901. After serving for four years and one month, he joined the Transvaal Town Police and served in Johannesburg for four years and nine days before he came to Hong Kong.

During his service here, "Charlie" was foreman engine driver of the Fire Brigade when the Police were attached to that body, and as a Police Officer he saw service at Central, Water Police, Wanchai Tai-O, and Yaumati. His longest period of service was with the Water Police, with whom he stayed for seven years.

Police Officers who are travelling with Mr. Pain, going on home leave, to-morrow, include, Sub-Inspector Rogers and wife, Acting Sub-Inspector Kirby, and Sergeants Wynne, Wagland and Mottram.

MONEY LEFT.

Former Shipping Agent's Fortune.

LATE MR. P. L. KNIGHT.

The late Mr. Percy Lister Knight, described as a shipping agent, and formerly connected with the Peninsular and Oriental Steamship Company, Hong Kong, left estate in the Colony amounting to \$36,000. His gross estate in the United Kingdom is valued at \$16,238 11s. 5d.

Mr. Knight returned home from Hong Kong and lived at Red House, Seabrook Road, Hythe, Kent. He died at the Victoria Hotel, Northumberland Avenue, London, on November 21, 1929.

In his will, Mr. Knight bequeaths everything to his wife, Lucy Anna Knight, for whom Mr. D. J. Lewis has applied for probate.

Underwriter's Estate.
The late Mr. Richard Blackwell, who also resided in Hong Kong formerly, and carried on business as an underwriter, left estate in Hong Kong to the value of \$10,700. His net personally in the United Kingdom is sworn to be \$12,837 5s. 1d. He died at Charleston Villa, Border Road, Sydenham, Kent, on November 26, 1929.

Mr. Blackwell appointed his wife sole executrix, but she died during his life time, and now letters of administration have been applied for by deceased's brother, Mr. Richard Fortune Blackwell, through Mr. M. H. Turner, of Messrs. Deacons.

Mrs. Murray.
Estate in the Colony to the value of \$5,900, and gross personally in the United Kingdom to the amount of \$4,419 5s. 1d. were left by the late Mrs. Jessie Murray (widow), who died on June 26, 1929 at No. 113 Upper Richmond Road, Putney Surrey.

The surviving administrators of the will are deceased's two daughters—Mrs. Irene Jessie Powys Milne, of Hartley House, 163 Road, Hampstead, London, and Mrs. Dorothy Ruth Paigrove Drayton, The Copse, West Drayton, Middlesex.

KWANGSI WAR.

Kwangtung Troops in Nanning.

NO RESISTANCE.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Delayed official reports from Canton state that the Kwangtung forces have entered Nanning without resistance.—Reuter.

Retreat of Remnants.

Canton, Yesterday.
Upon the receipt of a wire from chairman Ho Chien of Hunan, informing him of the retreat of the Ironside-Kwangsi remnants to the Kianghwa and Yungming in Hunan, and the despatch of the Hunan troops under Generals Liu Chin-shu and Chen Kwong-chung to intercept them, General Chai-long, C.I.C. of the 8th Route Army, will, according to report, order the 60th and 61st Division under Tsoi Ting-kai and Chang Kwong-nei, who are transferred from Kwangsi to the North River, to enter Hunan in pursuit of the rebel remnants. General Chang Kwong-nei has been appointed C.I.C. of the 60th and 61st Division, being responsible for the following up and the extermination of the rebels, according to military circles.

Restoration of Communications.

The control of the upper West River districts by the rebels during the past months was the principal cause of the shortage of foodstuffs, arising from the suspension of communications to Wuchow. Immediately after the fall of Kweihing and Kweihien into the hands of the punitive forces, representatives from various local organs at Kweihien personally requested General Yu Hon-mou of the 59th Division to permit the traffic between Kweihien and Wuchow, so as to relieve the famine conditions there. It is now officially proclaimed by the 8th Route Army Headquarters that the blockade between Wuchow and upper West River districts, as far as they are in possession of the punitive

CHINA'S WAR.

Recapture of a General.

A DEFECTION.

Nanking, Yesterday.
Reports have reached Nanking of the sensational capture, escape and recapture of General Wan Tien-chun, the uncle of the commander-in-chief of the Northern forces operating on the Lunghai Railway, at Wanshuantai.

Wan Tien-chun was captured by the Government forces when they occupied Kweihien, and put aboard a train at Hsuehchowfu for Nanking, under military escort. While the train was proceeding at a moderate speed on its way south from Hsuehchowfu, Wan Tien-chun, accompanied by a few fellow prisoners jumped off and received slight injuries. One officer was seriously injured.

The train was stopped and the would-be fugitives were rounded up without difficulty and sent back to Hsuehchowfu, where they were incarcerated in the military prison.—Reuter.

Northern Defection.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The Kuomin News Agency's correspondent wires that the Northerners under Liu Mouen yesterday transferred their allegiance to the National Government and made a surprise attack on the Kuomintang forces near Kaifeng.

He adds that his move is expected seriously to upset the military plans of the Northerners who will probably be compelled to evacuate Lanfeng, to within ten miles of which Liu Shih, taking advantage of the disorder, has advanced.

Japanese reports confirm the defection of Liu Mouen's forces to the National Government, and declare that he was captured alive at Wan Hsuan-tsai. The Nationalists are disarming all his troops, who are now falling back from Kweihien.

According to reports from Tsinan the Shantung forces occupied Tungming yesterday, thus clearing southern Chihli, south of the Yellow River, of the Northerners.—Reuter.

GIRL OFFENDER.

Mother Who Had No Control.

"If a mother cannot control her own child, then who can?" remarked Sergeant Barnicle at the Kowloon Magistrate's this morning, when a Chinese girl appeared on a charge of hawking without a licence.

The mother of defendant came forward when called for by the Magistrate, who learned from the Police officer that she had signed a bond of \$50 on January 3 promising to take good care of the girl for one year.

His Worship said that the mother should be fined for it, but the woman pleaded that she had tried to find work in a knitting factory for her daughter, but in vain.

The Magistrate remarked that the defendant herself had been bound over twice, and fined many times, as well as cautioned.

A fine of \$10, with the option of two weeks' jail, was imposed on the girl.

AN IRON BAR.

Fearing the contemplation of an attack by compatriots, a Chinese of Kowloon City purchased an iron bar for his personal safety. This he wrapped up in a newspaper. While walking along the road, he was stopped by a detective who took him to the Police Station, where he was charged with unlawful possession of the instrument, described as one only fit for an unlawful purpose.

On appearance before Mr. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's this morning accused was remanded for 24 hours in police custody.

forces, is cancelled and that traffic between these points may now be resumed.—Canton News Agency.

SPEEDING.

Kowloon Motor Cyclist Fined.

AN OFFENCE ADMITTED.

Before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's this morning, Mr. C. J. Wicheil, 337, Laichkok Road, was summoned for speeding on his motor cycle.

According to Traffic Sergeant Clarke, defendant drove at a speed of 38 miles per hour, in the uncontrolled area of Chatham Road, between the Kowloon Football Club and the China Motor Bus Company garage. He had at the time had only a learner's licence.

His Worship asked defendant if he admitted going at 38 miles an hour, and the reply was in the affirmative.

His Worship pointed out that Chatham Road, seemed to him to be a favourite place for speedsters.

A fine of \$15 was imposed.

Black: "Why did the fire brigade sack their efficient expert?"

Nack: "He ordered unbreakable glass for the alarms."

Hearing that a stable lad was wanted at a certain training establishment, one of the boys of the village went to apply for the job. Outside the stables he met a jockey who had the boy legs peculiar to his profession. "I've come to see the boss about a job," said the applicant.

"Right," said the jockey, turning and moving off. "Just walk this way."

The lad gazed in consternation at the other's legs. "I might have known there was a catch in it somewhere," he gulped. "I can't."

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—
Bank, wire 1/5 3/16
Bank, on demand 1/5 3/4
Bank, 30 days' sight 1/5 3/4
Bank, 4 months' sight 1/5 3/4
Credits, 4 months' sight 1/6 3/16
Documentary, 4 months' sight 1/6 5/16
On Paris—
On demand 890
Credits, 4 months' sight 965
On Berlin—
On demand —
On New York—
On demand 35
Credits, 60 days' sight 66 1/2
On Bombay—
Wire 96 1/2
On demand 96 1/2
On Calcutta—
Wire 96 1/2
On demand 96 1/2
On Singapore—
On demand 61 1/4
On Manila—
On demand 70
On Shanghai—
On demand 78 1/2
30 days' sight (private paper) —
On Yokohama—
On demand 70 1/4
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael) —
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) 13.42
Silver (per oz.) 18 1/2
Bar Silver in Hong Kong —
Copper Cash % prem.
Copper Cents % prem.
Rate of Native Interest 5% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin 24% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin Par.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

Rugby, Yesterday.
Paris 123.94
New York 4.86 5/32
Brussels 34.825
Geneva 12.125
Amsterdam 12.08 3/4
Milan 92.72
Stockholm 20.365
Copenhagen 18.165
Oslo 18.16
Vienna 34.465
Prague 104

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

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STOCK.	Buy- ers	Sell- ers	Sales	Non.	Min. year	Last dividend and when paid				
Banks.										
Hong Kong Bank	1445	...	(1445)	(1453)	Dec.	[Final 21 s/c 1929 ex. 17/- - \$10.25]	Feb. 24, 30			
Chartered Bank	...	...	174	...	Dec.	[Final 7 s/c bonus 20 free 17/4 s/c 1929	Apr. 2, 30	
Mercantile Bk., A.B., C. L.	...	...	39	...	Dec.	[Final 20 s/c to 34 s/c 1929 less 1/4 tax]	Apr. — 30	
Bank of Asia	119	...	...	...	Dec.	\$3 for 1929	Feb. 28, 30
Insurance.										
Canton Ins.	...	...	900	...	Dec.	[Final 27 s/c for 1929 Interim 21 s/c 1929] — \$45	May 10, 30	
Union Ins.	...	...	480	...	Dec.	[Final 27 s/c for 1929 Interim 21 s/c 1929] — \$45	Pending	
China Underwriters	...	3.15	...	...	Dec.	None	...	
China Fire Ins.	400	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 20 bonus 80 for 1929] — \$18	Pending
H. K. Fire Ins.	950	...	...	...	Dec.	[Interim 21 s/c 1929 6 1/2 for 1929	Mar. 26, 30
Shipping.										
Douglases	...	...	292	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...	
H. K. Steamboat	...	...	204	...	Dec.	\$1.50 for 1929	Mar. 4, 30	
Indo-China (Pref.)	...	...	43	...	Dec.	[Int. 20 ex. 2/4 on preferred for 1929 and 1925	June 19, 29	
(Def.)	...	...	40	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...	
Shell Transports	...	...	969	...	Dec.	[Int. 20 Coupon No. 55 free for 1929 and 1925	Jan. 6, 30	
Union Waterboats	...	39	...	...	Dec.	\$1.50 for 1929	Mar. 10, 30	
Mining.										
Benguet	7 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 15 cents s/c 1929	Apr. — 30
Kailan Mining Ad.	...	...	41/3	...	June	[Final 25 free 17/4 Coupon No. 35 year 31-3-29]	Dec. 17, 29	
Langkat (Comb.) Th.	...	...	18.10	...	Oct.	T. 0.50 for year 31-10-29	Pending	
(Single) Th.	...	...	7	...	...	...	...
Shai Exploration Th.	...	...	1.15	...	Dec.	None	...	
Loans	...	...	5.55	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...	
Rauha	21	...	...	...	Mar.	Second Int. 1 1/4 years 31-3-30	Mar. 26, 30
Tromoh Mines	...	...	21 1/2	...	Dec.	Interim 4 1/2 less 1/4 tax	Mar. 31, 30	
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.										
H. K. & K. Wharves	178	...	170	...	Dec.	\$2 for 1929	Mar. 13, 30			
H. K. & W. Docks	401	...	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...
China Provident	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...
Hongkew	260	...	...	...	Dec.	Final T. 12 s/c 1929	Mar. 31, 30
N. Engineering	8	...	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.50 for 1929	Feb. 26, 30
Shanghai Docks	...	...	183	...	Apr.	T. 7.50 for year 29-4-30	July 27, 29	
Cotton Mills.										
Ewo Cottons	...	18.85	...	...	Dec.	Final T. 2 s/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30	
Shai Cotton (old) Th.	...	...	86	...	(Apr. and Oct.)	[T. 3-25 old] for half year [T. 2-16 new] 29-4-30	Pending	
(new) Th.	...	...	85	...	...	...	...
Zoong Sings	...	...	10	...	June	T. 0.50 for year 31-5-29	Oct. 11, 29	
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.										
H. K. & S. Hotels	13.60	13.60	13.70 1/2	...	Dec.	50 cents for 1929	Apr. 7, 30			
H. K. Lands	83 1/2	...	83	...	Dec.	Final 20 s/c 1929	Feb. 13, 30			
Shanghai Lands	272	...	...	...	Dec.	Final T. 8 s/c 1929	Mar. 12, 30
Humphreys	15	...	16 1/2	...	Dec.	50 cents for 1929	May 7, 30			
H. K. Realities	10.90	10.90	...	...	Dec.	Final 20 cents s/c 1929	Mar. 24, 30	
Chinese Estates	...	98	...	...	Feb.	\$1 for year 29-2-30	June 5, 29	
Public Utilities.										
H. K. Tramways	20.75	20.60	30.40 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 50 cents s/c 1929	Mar. 18, 30			
Peak Tram (old)	112	...	13 1/2	...	Apr.	[50 cts on old] for year [50 cts on new] 30-4-29	June 7, 29			
(new)	6.10	...	...	...	Dec.	\$4 for 1929	Feb. 14, 30
Star Ferry	...	85	84	...	Dec.	Int. 25 cts. s/c yr. 30-3-30	May 12, 30			
China Light (old)	28.65	28.90	28 1/2	...	Sept.	Int. 55 cts. s/c yr. 30-3-30	May 12, 30			
(new)	29 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	\$2.50 for 1929	Mar. 12, 30
H. K. Electric	...	79 1/2	79	...	Dec.	...	...	
Macao	...	...	28	...	Dec.	...	...	
Sandakan Light	...	...	...	...	June	None	...
H. K. Telephones	...	...	14 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 10 cents s/c 1929	Mar. 15, 30	
China Buses	...	19 1/2	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.50 for 1929	Feb. 21, 30	
S'port Tractors (Ord.)	...	10 1/2	...	...	Sept.	[1 1/2 on preference shares] [Subject to income tax]	Feb. 6, 30	
Industrials.										
China Sugars	...	1	...	...	...	In liquidation.	...
Malayan Sugars	...	...	27	...	Dec.	Ps. 2 for 1929	Apr. 11, 29	
Calab. Masc. Ord. Th.	...	...	10.70	...	Dec.	[T. 0.40] [T. 0.40] 7 months 1929	Apr. 30, 30	
(Pref.) Th.	...	...	11	...	...	...	...
Canton Ice	...	...	2 1/2	...	July	None	...	
Cement (comb.)	16.85	...	...	...	Dec.	[30 cents on old] for 1929 [40 cents on new]	Mar. 19, 30
(old)	11.10	...	...	...	...	...	...
(new)	...	...	4 1/2	...	...	...	...
H. K. Ropes	...	9	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...	
United Asbestos	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stores, &c.										
Dairy Farms	...	26 1/2	...	...	Dec.	\$1.50 for 1929	Mar. 14, 30	
Watsons	13 1/2	12.40	...	...	Oct.	70 cents for year 31-10-29	Mar. 31, 30	
Der A Wings	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lane Crawford	1	...	3.70	...	Feb.	Last dividend for year 29-2-30	...			
Mackintosh	18	...	...	...	Feb.	\$2 for year 29-2-30	May 15, 30
Sincere	12.10	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wm. Powells	...	...	2.85	...	Feb.	25 cents for year 29-2-30	June 10, 30	
Miscellaneous.										
H. K. Amusement	20 1/2	...	...	...	Mar.	(\$2.50 on Preferred) for year (\$1.50 on Deferred) 31-5-29	July 6, 29
H. K. Constructions	1.80	...	...	...	Dec.	None	...
B. Ind. G. & L. Bonds	69 1/2	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. K. Govt. Bonds	9 1/2	...	...	...	...	Interest half yearly	...
Helsingfors								193	Bombay	1/5 13/16
Madrid								100.00	Shanghai	1/9 %
Liabon								48.25	Hong Kong	1/5 %
Athens								875	Yokohama	2/0 %
Bucharest								818	Silver Spot	13 1/2 (?)
Rio								5 65/64 (?)	Silver Forward	18 9/16
Buenos Aires								43 (?)	—British Wireless Service.	

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The much-disputed ownership of a launch, which in its adventurous career, had been confiscated by "Reds" in Swatow, continues to occupy the attention of the Higher Court. The OVERLAND CHINA MAIL, in its comprehensive report of the proceedings, elucidates the complex legal problems involved in the action.

As a sequel to a sensational arrest on a mail liner, just as it was about to sail, a local Master Mariner was fined \$101,000, with the option of seven months' imprisonment at the Central Magistracy. The OVERLAND CHINA MAIL gives full details.

Hong Kong's fine response to the Sepoy Victims' Dependents' Fund, first suggested by the China Mail, reached over \$1,400. The report of the sponsors, and the method by which it will be distributed, are both reported in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

The dramatic action of the Stewards of the Hong Kong Jockey Club in disqualifying a racing pony which won at the last Extra Meeting is exclusively reported in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL. It was alleged that whisky had been administered to the pony before the races. As a result the Chinese trainer was discharged. The owner, however, was completely exonerated, and the pony allowed to run at the next meeting.

The misfortunes of the round-the-world junk Maskee, which set out from Hong Kong on a further stage of her journey, but was obliged to return owing to sickness amongst the crew, are chronicled in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

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RUSSIAN PAPER
SELLER'S DEATH.

MRS. HADLEY BEFORE H.B.M.
CONSULAR COURT.

PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION.

Tientsin, May 9.

At H.B.M. Consular Court yesterday before Mr. A. G. N. Ogden (Consul and Additional Judge), Mrs. Catherine Hadley was again brought up on preliminary examination in connection with the death of a Russian news vendor named Prokoptchik at Tientsin on April 22.

Mr. P. H. B. Kent, barrister-at-law, assisted by Dr. Roseltz, appeared for the defence. The Registrar (Major G. A. Herbert M.C.) conducted the prosecution.

Mr. Kent said he wished to make a certain remark before the evidence was taken. In this case, it seemed to him a great deal of very unreasonable and improper prejudice had already been caused to Mrs. Hadley by newspaper reports and conjectures as to the cause of the death of the paper seller. He did not wish to refer to any newspapers in particular but he did ask His Honour to suggest to the Press that they should refrain from startling headlines or in any way to comment or suggest anything that was unfavourable to the accused which was quite wrong. As His Honour must have noticed there had been some comments in the local Press. He was sure it was only necessary to remind the Press of their duty.

His Honour: Yes. I have noticed some of these reports to which you have referred and I am sure the representatives of the Press here to-day will take notice of these remarks. I take this opportunity of reminding them that a preliminary examination of this sort is not necessarily an open court and if there are any further objectionable reports I shall clear the Court before we have a further hearing.

Major Herbert then called further witnesses.

American Marine's Evidence.

Robert Hubert Seelos (19), a Marine of the U.S.S. Tulsa, said about six o'clock on the afternoon of April 22 he was going from Taku Road down Wuchang Road when he saw a crowd of people standing by the corner house (No. 72 Woodrow Wilson Street). He stopped his riksha coolie and asked him to find out what the trouble was and a Russian man standing near by told witness that a man had been stabbed. Witness tried to get in through the side gate but this was locked and he then went to the front gate at the corner. He went into the compound. There were many people standing by. He shoved his way to where the body of the man was lying on his bunk in a pool of blood. The blood was round his hips mostly and the small of his back. Witness took off his cap, belt and coat and rolled up his shirt-sleeves to try to find the wound. It was in the pit of the left arm. Witness then cut and tore the wounded man's clothes away from the wound.

Major Herbert: Which part of his clothes?

Witness: The part of his clothes round his chest. It was then that I saw that the majority of the blood was on the hips and the small of the back. I imagined from the great loss of blood that there might be another wound. I thought that would be in his back and I took a knife and cut his clothes entirely off him, slitting both his trouser legs. I did not find another wound. There was only the one wound in his arm-pit. There were several ladies standing in the room and I asked them to kindly go outside saying that this was nothing for women to see or be around. I then asked one of the Chinese standing by to get some water and they brought some water back and some cloth. I washed the wound.

Open Gaping Wound.

Can you say the extent of the wound?—In length a matter of one inch. The wound was gaping open. I could not say how deep it was. I did not examine it to see how deep it was.

Continuing, witness said he stopped the flow of blood as far as possible. There was nothing there to work with but he asked for some more cloth to put round his chest to prevent the blood flowing from this artery. He put the towel round his chest just under the wound. The Russian man standing inside the room asked if he should get a doctor and witness said to him "Yes, if you can get one." Witness had already been informed that they had tried to get two or three doctors but they were all out. After between ten and twenty minutes the doctor arrived he took off the band which witness had put on and felt the man's pulse and put a bandage of his own over the wound. The doctor spoke in Russian and shook his head from which witness deduced that the man was going to die and there was no chance of saving his life. Witness went outside for about two or three minutes for a breath of fresh air as the room was very stuffy and smelly. When he returned after two, three or four minutes he saw there were three or four people

in the room but the doctor was gone. They were Russians except, he believed, for one Chinese. Witness went to the wounded man's side and knelt down and put his head on his chest to see if he could hear any heart-beat and at the same time find out if he was still breathing. His heart was still beating and he was still breathing. Witness asked one Russian to say something to him to see if he could get an answer. After this man had said ten or fifteen words the wounded man answered in Russian. He mumbled two or three indistinct words. Witness then spoke to the wounded man himself saying something like this, "Come on, boy, speak to me."

Breathed His Last.

"I put my head back on his chest" continued the witness. "to see if his heart was still beating and he was still breathing. He then breathed his last three or four breaths. This was about a minute after I had spoken to him."

After the man had died, went on witness, he tried to find something suitable with which to cover the dead man. He straightened him on the bed and covered him with his things. The lady of the house was in the yard and witness went and asked her where he could get some clothes for him. She informed him that the Russian people—some Society—would take care of him and that it was best to leave him as he was. She gave witness the keys to the room where the dead man was. Witness went back to the room and there were two or three people still inside. He told them to go out and he would lock the door. He did so as soon as the people went away. He gave the keys to a corporal of the First Special Area Police.

Mr. Kent: Look at Mrs. Hadley. Can you say whether Mrs. Hadley was in the room when you first entered it?

Witness: No. She was not.

Mr. Kent: Did she return to the room at any time?

Witness: No.

Asked by Mr. Kent to describe the clothes deceased was wearing, witness replied that he was wearing a dark pair of trousers (he believed they had a stripe in them), a shirt, and underwear of a thin soft material but nothing on top of the shirt. Deceased's right arm was lying over the edge of the bunk. His left arm was lying over on the bunk. There was a pillow under his head. It was a very hard pillow. Witness did not notice if there were any clothes under it. Deceased did not appear to have been moved.

Mr. Kent: Did you move him?

Witness: Yes, I put him squarely on the bed.

In answer to Major Herbert, witness said it appeared to him from the fact there was no blood elsewhere that deceased had fallen directly on the bed after receiving the wound. He did not at that time see any blood on the floor.

A Steak Knife.

You say you cut off his clothes with a knife? What knife was that?—The knife that came off the table. It was what we call a steak knife. It was a very sharp knife.

What did you do with that knife afterward?—I told somebody standing there to put it back on the table.

Would you say the room was tidy?—No. It was not.

Was the floor rather littered with pieces of paper?—Yes, things were scattered around.

Can you remember how long it was after the doctor left that the man died, in your opinion?—About five or seven minutes approximately.

Did you receive a key or keys from the lady of the house?—There were two or three keys.

Is the lady of the house in Court?—No. Not the lady who gave me the keys.

Major Herbert's Discoveries.

Major Herbert said on the 1st and 2nd inst. he went to No. 72 Woodrow Wilson Street accompanied by Mr. Kent. On the 2nd inst. he was also accompanied by the Marine named Seelos. The door of the room where the crime was alleged to have been committed was opened by the No. 1 Special Area Police. On the left hand side, just as one entered, there was a small table on which there was an erection (described in the plan as a cupboard) on which was a photograph (produced) of a small girl with the glass broken. Witness picked up from the floor bits of broken glass which fitted into the photograph frame. On the left of the erection was an armchair, then a table, then an armchair in the farther left hand corner. The bed was in the recess on the right. On the table were the remnants of a meal and bottles. On the chairs were clothes. On the bed, the bedding was much blood soaked. Under the table, fixed to the floor by lugs, was a piece of linoleum (produced) with the part marked with a large "V" facing the bed and with a small "V" facing the door. About a foot and a half from the door, there was a blood stain, the blood being farthest away, starting from the door and ending thick. The floor could be described as littered with rubbish. Witness handed into the Court a list of the articles taken away by him.

Mr. Kent: The bottles referred to, did they appear to have contained alcoholic drinks?

Witness: Yes. They had every indication of that. There were also other similar bottles in two or three other parts of the room.

Taken to the Police Station.

Yang Min-chuang, Sergeant, First Special Area Police, identified Mrs. Hadley as the woman who was brought about ten days previously to his office by the police. When she arrived she was drunk. Her speech was excited. She was wearing clothes of a yellow colour and on her right sleeve there was some blood and there was blood on her stocking. There was some blood on the fingers of her right hand and signs of it having been wiped off. The dress produced in Court was the one the woman was wearing at the time and witness pointed out the blood on the sleeve.

A Neighbour's Evidence.

Anna Petrovna Gershevhich, living at 72 Woodrow Wilson Street, said she did not know Mrs. Hadley very well. She had seen her twice before. She saw her on April 22. Witness was at home and accused came to her about three o'clock. Witness was with her husband. Mrs. Hadley asked them where Alexander was. Alexander was the dead man. About 4 o'clock, Alexander came in and kissed Mrs. Hadley twice and said "You are mine, you are mine." After that he said he was going home and left the room.

Major Herbert: Where was his home?

Witness: His room was next to ours. Between them was a lavatory.

Then what happened?—Immediately Mrs. Hadley left the room.

What did you do after that?—After they felt the room I washed my dirty dishes and plates. As the room was a bit dirty I started cleaning it. I took the rubbish and carried it out to the waste box. To go there I had to pass Alexander's door but I did not see anything extraordinary. After I left the ash box I saw Mrs. Hadley standing at the door of Alexander's room. Mrs. Hadley said.....

Here Mr. Kent intervened. "The point is rather a difficult one" he said "but I am going to do more than suggest, in fact I am going to prove, that this witness was drunk. Now if this witness came into Court drunk to testify that events had taken place she would not, of course, be a competent witness. It seems to me that a person who could be proved to have been drunk at the time the occurrences to which she wishes to testify took place is in all probability not a competent witness. She may be a competent witness for matter of not very first rate importance but I think any matter of first rate importance should be excluded if it is proved she was at the time drunk. I don't think she was drunk at this time."

Major Herbert said the jury at the trial if one should be held would be able to judge as to the value of the witness's evidence. If his learned friend could produce evidence that she was drunk at the time that would go as regards the credibility of the witness but he did not see any reason why this evidence should be excluded.

After further argument, His Honour said he would note for the present giving his decision on the point raised the next morning.

Major Herbert asked the witness what she did next and she replied: "I glanced in at the door and saw a man covered with blood, some blood on the floor and I went and called a policeman."

The Court adjourned until 10.30 this morning.—P. & T. Times.

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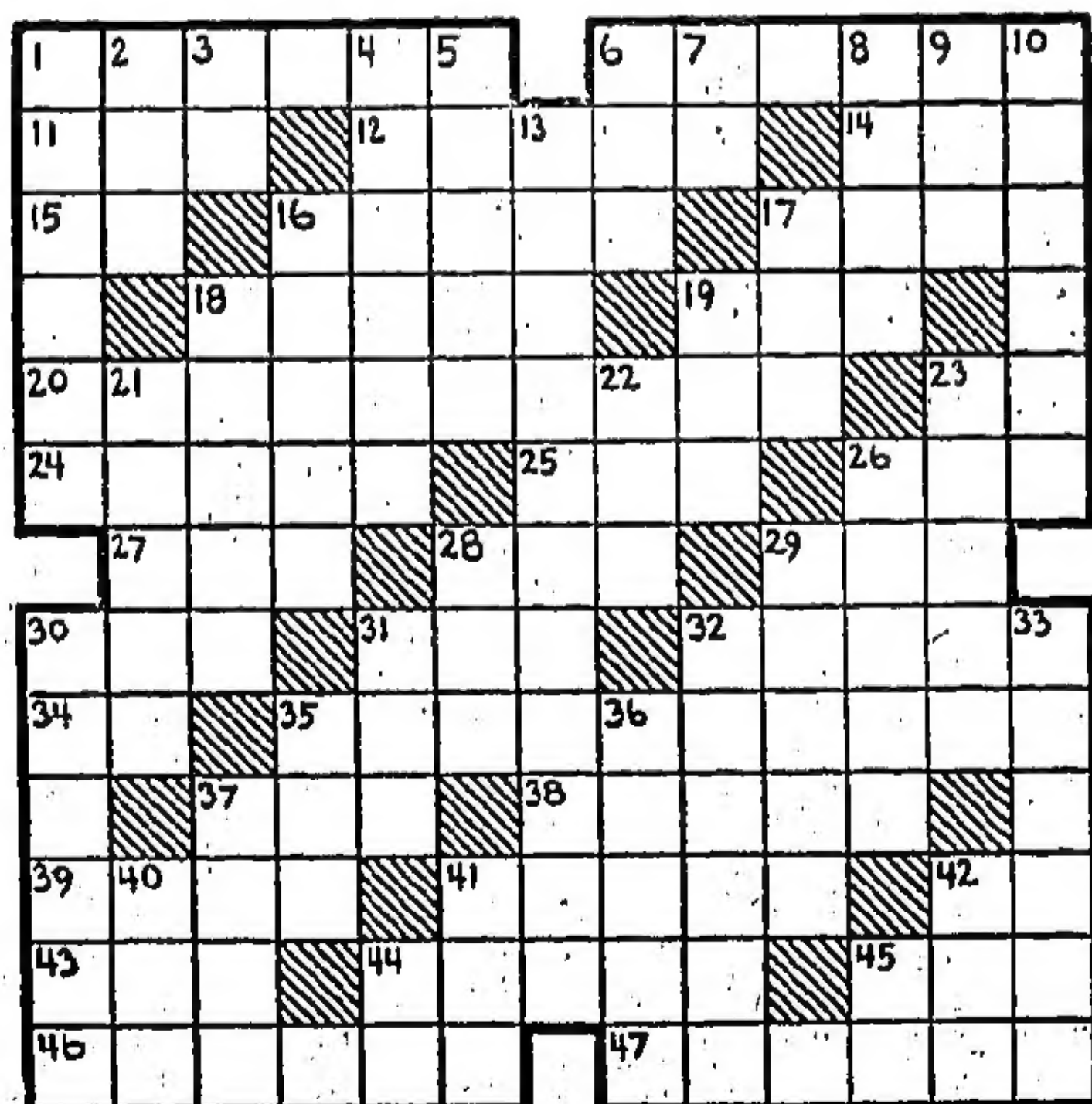
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spellings, such as harbor, plover, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1—To come into sight
- 6—A sea in N. Europe
- 11—By way of
- 12—Pertaining to place
- 14—A wing-like part
- 15—Indefinite article
- 16—Biblical name (Joel, XI, 1)
- 17—To stop
- 18—Noted German painter and engraver
- 19—To feel sick
- 20—To migrate
- 22—Symbol for calcium
- 24—Earliest form of the violin
- 25—Sopran than
- 26—No
- 27—It is (contracted)
- 28—Highest note in Guido's scale
- 29—A container
- 30—To wager
- 31—Girl's name
- 32—Lady's title in Spain
- 34—Conjunction
- 35—Displaying oratory

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 37—To beg
- 38—The material of elephant tusks
- 39—Fragrance
- 41—Equal
- 42—Profit—two
- 43—One of the metals
- 44—A cubic unit of measure
- 45—Heavenly body
- 46—A breed of goats
- 47—An African fly that conveys disease

VERTICAL

- 1—An incarnation (Hind. Myth.)
- 2—To fasten
- 3—Father
- 4—King of the Vols
- 5—A breed of goats
- 6—To infatuate
- 7—Short for Albert
- 8—Dutch as spoken by B. African whites
- 9—Bad
- 10—Fictitious name of Chin

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 13—Having correlation
- 16—Work animal (pl.)
- 17—To hasten
- 18—Something owed
- 19—Common
- 21—A metric measure
- 22—Southern constellation
- 23—A bedding plant
- 24—Female character in Oliver Twist
- 25—Time period
- 26—Cables made from coconut-shuck fiber
- 29—Capital of Colombia
- 31—Rock containing metal
- 32—Male honey bees
- 33—A book printed by the Aldine press
- 35—Possessive pronoun
- 36—Open to view
- 37—Ditty
- 40—Loud noise
- 41—Greek long E
- 42—A public conveyance
- 44—Bailor (abbr.)
- 45—Street (abbr.)

Behind the Scenes in Hollywood

THE STRONGEST.

(By Dorothy Herzog.)
The strongest item in this department's ken arrives by mail. I quote the story verbatim:

Stepin Fetchit is out over at Columbia. He had been cast in an important role in "Lover Come Back," which Erle C. Kenton is directing, but after two days his temperament got the best of him. Harry Conn, rather than put up with him, let him out, and scrapped the film that had been shot up to the time Fetchit went "haywire." Clarence Muse, well-known coloured actor, steps into the role. Buster Collier, jun., and Pauline Starke head the cast, which also includes Walter P. Lewis, Betty Boyd, Ellrich Haupt and Ann Brody.

Stepin Fetchit should listen to the tom-toms that beat nightly in Hollywood and the chant that drones on: "The star is dead, long live the star."

CLARA BOW.

Has Clara Bow spent ready cash listening to a fortune teller? Over the wires click her statement: "I am not going to marry Harry Richmond. I am expecting a nervous breakdown, and he is no sedative." There's witchery in such frankness. "Tis a smart woman, mayhap, who nervous breakdowns on headline schedule. 'Tis a wise fancee who waits for the swoon.

GALSWORTHY AND THE "TALKIES."

"NOT MUCH MOVED" BY THEM.

WHAT AUTHORS SHOULD DO.

Mr. John Galsworthy, escaping for a few minutes from the stifling heat and the glaring lights in the British Lion Film Corporation's new studio in London, spoke to a press representative of his views on the screen and its possibilities.

"He was watching the 'shootings' of an interior scene in the talking film version of his play 'Escape.' This is the first 'talkie' to be made in Britain from a work by a British author of the first rank, and also the first important British open-air 'talkie.'"

"I appear to have a conservative type of mind where new forms of art are concerned," said Mr. Galsworthy.

An Uncanny Hold.
"Anyone who works in forms of art himself is always rather reluctant, I think, to believe in new developments, but the silent film has, with reservations, converted me to its merits, more as a power dealing with life than as one dealing with fiction.

"It has an uncanny hold upon you while you are actually watching it, but you go away, I'm afraid, without taking much with you, as a rule.

"Of the talking film I have seen so very little that I really don't think I have any right to express an opinion. In such very few talking films as I have seen the mechanical reproduction of the voice has been so poor, for the most part, that I have not been moved by them.

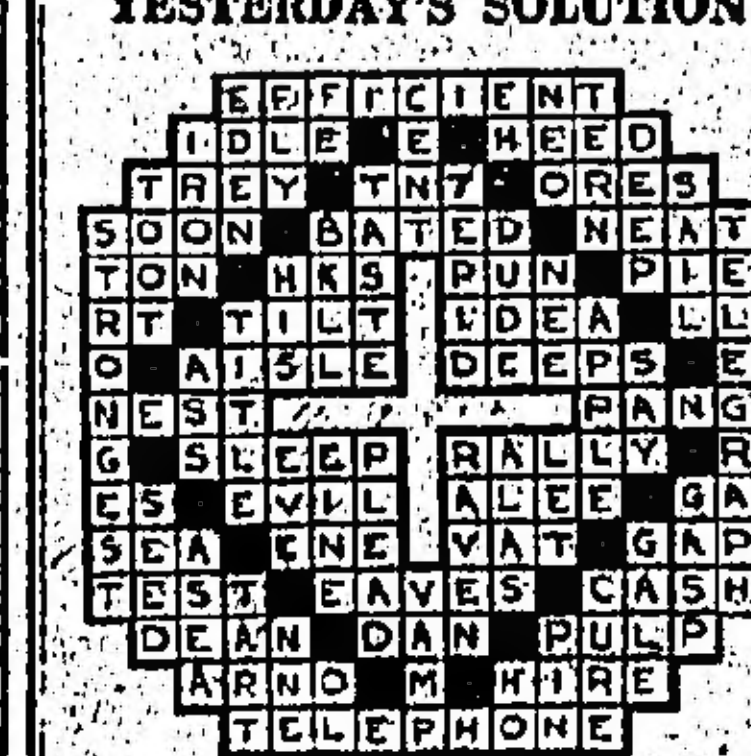
"But that may be, and I am told is—because the quality of the reproduction varies from theatre to theatre. I may have been unlucky.

"The talking film appears for the moment to have taken the place of the silent film. I don't think, however, that it will kill the silent film, and I hope not; because certain quite definite effects which you can create on the silent film seem only to be blurred when dialogue is introduced.

"On the other hand, there are some subjects—and I think 'Escape' is one of them—in which talking ought to be valuable.

"In form this play lends itself very well to a film version. The dialogue is all in a number of 'close' scenes between two or three people, and is almost completely cut off from the action. All that will really happen is that the play, as written for the stage, will be supplemented by a number of silent

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



GRETA GARBO.

From an unsigned reader comes the following missive:

Dear Miss Herzog: I never was a Garbo fan till now. I liked her, but did not think her better than the usual movie Marionettes. To-day I saw her in "Anna Christie" and do you know that when she appeared on the screen, people clapped as if she had been there in the flesh and I know now that Greta Garbo is a born actress. Afraid the screen will lose her. She belongs on the stage. Why, she even got sympathy for Anna. That was more than Evelyn Preer (a local coloured stage star) could do and she is not a poor actress either. Three cheers for Marie Dressler and George Marion. Don't care for Bickford. The Matt of the Lincoln Players (Evelyn Preer's troupe) played him better even if he were coloured. Congratulations to Greta Garbo. Us Norwegians wish you would say something about it, please.

'shots'—notably of the more active part of the escape and of Dartmoor scenery—which should add to the interest.

Effects On Theatre.
"The only film work I have watched before to-day was when a film version of 'Justice' was made before the war. In that, too, Sir Gerald du Maurier took the leading part.

"You ask me what will be the effect of the talking and singing film on the regular theatre. It is an extraordinarily difficult question to answer.

"But if I must make a shot I should say that it may readily reduce the audiences for the coarser and more melodramatic types of play, and consolidate the more fastidious types of playgoer.

"A point on which I feel very strongly is the need for authors to insist that in talking films made of their work the dialogue should be entirely written by themselves. This will certainly be the case in 'Escape' and in any other talking film that may be made from my work.

"It is needless for me to say that I welcome with energy the attempt that is now being made to produce really good British films. The company making 'Escape' will move to Dartmoor after Easter for the filming of the escaped convict's adventures on the moor.

Mr. Basil Dean, surrounded by a perspiring crowd of assistants and technicians, demonstrated the "talkie" producer's infinite capacity for taking pains. Sir Gerald du Maurier, as the convict, and Miss Edna Best were being "shot" in a scrap of dialogue lasting perhaps a minute. Five times—with weary intervals occupied in technical adjustments and a strange jargon of directions—the klaxonhorn enjoined dead silence and the "shot" was repeated; and all this after it had been carefully rehearsed.

On the day previous, three and a half minutes of the film were made, and this was reckoned good progress.

VARIETY THEATRES

A Gloomy View at Home.

A despondent view of the outlook on variety theatres was taken by Sir Alfred Butt, presiding at the annual meeting of Victoria Palace, Limited, London, which showed a reduction of profits by over £5,000 after a period of almost unbroken prosperity.

Sir Alfred Butt attributed the decline in the popularity of variety theatres chiefly to the competition of talkies, but said that another circumstance working against the prosperity of the "halls" was the fact that many houses had abandoned variety shows and taken up entertainments of other kinds.

Variety artistes were unable to obtain the same continuity of employment; many, indeed, had already turned to different work.

Sir Alfred Butt forecasted that Victoria Palace would shortly return to revenue.

Sir Alfred Butt's pessimism, however, is not shared in all quarters. It is pointed out that variety theatres appeal to all tastes and when the novelty of the talkies is worn off it may be expected that good variety performances will be found to retain the old appeal.

THE W PLAN "TALKIE."

The talking film of "The W Plan," the war story which appeared in the Evening Standard, will be produced by Mr. Victor Saville for Burlington Films.

LIFE SAVED BY TALKIE.

SCREEN VOICE ROUTS BURGLARS.

Ghostly voices from a "talkie" were the means of saving a man's life and preventing a theatre from being robbed.

Three burglars, after overpowering the night watchman at a New York theatre and binding him to a seat, tortured the man's son in an attempt to make him reveal the combination of the safe.

They tied a cord round the youth's neck and pulled it tighter and tighter, but still the boy refused to divulge the secret.

Just as he was beginning to swoon distant voices were heard, and the burglars at once stopped.

The voices grew louder, the speakers apparently drawing nearer, and the three burglars hurried out of the building. The lad then released his father, and the two went to meet the speaker.

They found that it was the new talkie apparatus on the stage being tested from an adjoining building by a firm of electrical engineers.

The voices which the burglars had heard came from the sound film that was being run on the machine.

FOR CHILDREN.

Brighton's New Rules for Films.

Brighton, April 21.
"New regulations concerning the exhibition of films to children have been made by the Brighton Watch Committee.

They provide that no films—other than those of current events—which have not been passed for universal exhibition by the British Board of Film Censors shall be exhibited without the express consent of the Town Council, while any child under, or appearing to be under, 16, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian, is on the premises.

Before the exhibition of each film a reproduction of the board's certificate, or a slide stating that the film has been passed, and giving its category, is to be shown for at least ten seconds.

Notices are also to be displayed at the entrances to cinemas giving the definitions adopted by the board of the several categories of films, and also stating the title of each film, its category, and the time at which it will be shown.

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Less Storage on the Island.

HIGHER CONSUMPTION.

The total storage in the island reservoirs on Monday, May 19, amounted to 640.04 million gallons, showing a decrease of 14.53 million gallons during the past week. The amount collected from streams was 27.29 million gallons. The week's consumption amounted to 62.97 million gallons which included 21.15 million gallons from the Shing Mun supply.

Kowloon Water Supply
The total storage in the mainland reservoirs on Monday, May 19, amounted to 346.16 million gallons, showing a decrease of 18.82 million gallons during the past week.

The week's consumption amounted to 30.24 million gallons, not including Hong Kong supplies and 2.04 million gallons supplied to water boats at Lanchikok.

The yield from the Shing Mun River and streams during the week was 34.51 million gallons.

Storage
The following shows the amount in storage (million gallons) on the dates named:

1929	Hong Kong Mainland
April 22	326.38 136.61
May 6	311.72 121.65
May 8	237.90 87.98
June 17	132.70 50.51
July 8	187.79 105.52
August 5	1,251.86 438.58
September 2	1,878.13 467.96
October 7	1,880.13 514.98
November 4	1,699.58 514.98
December 2	1,514.80 496.54

January 6	1,279.77 458.50
" 13	1,235.50 450.61
" 20	1,188.37 438.87
" 27	1,145.55 432.84
February 3	1,097.85 430.14
" 10	1,054.13 424.80
" 17	1,011.11 419.80
" 24	964.42 405.62
March 3	915.10 392.64
" 10	872.88 388.88
" 17	826.17 376.50
" 24	792.10 379.37
April 7	771.69 420.65
" 14	744.71 423.96
" 21	709.37 410.74
" 28	671.16 395.68
May 5	644.57 388.41
" 12	608.86 365.90
" 19	564.57 364.98
" 26	540.04 348.16
" Lowest for 1929 in Kowloon.	
† Lowest for 1929 in Island.	

Consumption
The following figures show the weekly consumption (million gallons) on the dates mentioned:—

1929	Hong Kong Mainland
April 22	37.56 30.75
May 6	33.03 27.17
May 8	27.48 24.88
June 3	27.14 11.08†
July 1	27.21 20.71
" 22	25.32† 23.23
August 5	31.85 25.17
September	50.86 27.62
October 7	54.90 26.70
November 4	54.22 26.81
December 2	43.90 25.54

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† Highest in Kowloon during period of publication of weekly reports.
† Lowest in Kowloon recorded in 1929.
† Highest in Island in 1929.
** Including first supply from Shing Mun.

where together," she said, before leaving for America.

Before her marriage Mrs. Goldwyn was an actress.

"I have never regretted leaving the stage," she said, "and I do not miss it, as I am serenely happy in my married life.

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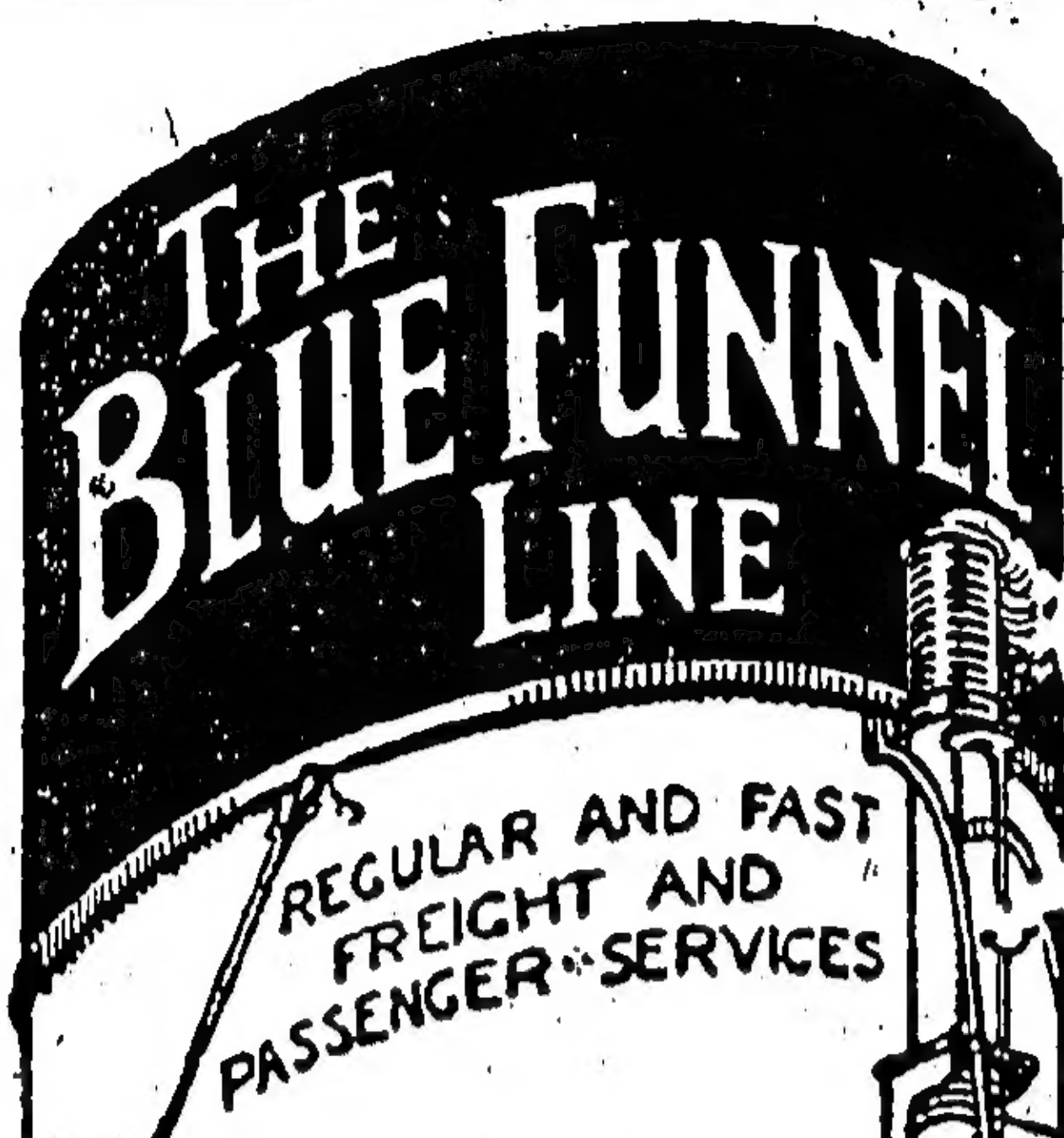
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From	Per
Amoy	FRIDAY, MAY 23.
U.S.A. (Seattle May 3), Canada, Japan and Shanghai	President McKinley
Java	SATURDAY, MAY 24.
Shanghai and Swatow	Tjisaroen
SUNDAY, MAY 25.	Shantung
Shanghai, Amoy and Europe via Siberia	Tjibadak
(London, May 6)	Monday, MAY 26.
Calcutta and Straits	Takada
Manila	President Taft
Canada (Vancouver, B.C., May 8), U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Empress of Russia

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per
Sam Shui and Wuchow	FRIDAY, MAY 23.
Formosa	Kong Ning 4 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Kine Maru 5 p.m.
K.P.O.	(Due Marseilles, June 20.)
Parcels May 23, 4.30 p.m.	G.P.O.
Registration May 24, 9 a.m.	Parcels May 23, 5 p.m.
Letters May 24, 10 a.m.	Registration May 24, 9.45 a.m.
SATURDAY, MAY 24.	Letters May 24, 10.30 a.m.
Holhow and Haiphong	May 24.
Shanghai	Borneo 8.30 a.m.
Saigon	Benchrachan 8.30 a.m.
Manila	Telemachus 10.30 a.m.
*Straits and Calcutta	President McKinley 10.30 a.m.
	Tilawa
	Parcels May 24, 10.30 a.m.
	Letters May 25, 9 a.m.
SUNDAY, MAY 25.	
Bangkok via Swatow	Kayng 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru 9 a.m.
MONDAY, MAY 26.	
Shanghai	Hakusan Maru 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Perseus
K.P.O.	(Due Marseilles, June 27.)
Registration May 26, 1 p.m.	G.P.O.
Letters May 26, 1 p.m.	Registration May 26, 1.45 p.m.
	Letters May 26, 2.30 p.m.

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MONGOLIA.

Internal Development Discussed.

CONFERENCE IN NANKING.

Nanking, Yesterday.
 The Conference on Mongolian Affairs, called to discuss the internal development of Mongolia, was formally inaugurated yesterday. More than 40 delegates from Mongolian tribes, with their banners, were present.

Speaking on the purpose of the Conference, the Foreign Ministry has issued a statement addressed to the people of Mongolia and Tibet, in which it declares that inasmuch as Mongolia and Tibet are integral parts of the Chinese Republic, the local authorities there should avoid establishing direct diplomatic relations with any foreign government.

After enunciating the National Government's foreign policy as to recent treaty developments, the statement points out that the peoples of Mongolia and Tibet being Chinese citizens, are entitled to protection by the Central Government against foreign aggression, and that the Foreign Ministry is seeking an appropriate and satisfactory solution of the various outstanding Sino-Russian issues, especially those affecting Mongolia.

GRAF ZEPPELIN.

German Air Liner Lands at Brazil.

Fernando Noronha, Yesterday.
 The Graf Zeppelin has been sighted 125 miles off the Brazil coast.

Pernambuco, Yesterday.
 The Graf Zeppelin has arrived here.—Reuter's American Service.

standing Sino-Russian issues, especially those affecting Mongolia. The statement, moreover, declares that by the Sino-Soviet agreement of 1924 Moscow formally recognised Mongolia as an integral part of the Republic of China, as well as China's complete sovereignty thereover. It is therefore obvious that Russia has renounced and does not possess any special interest in Mongolia. The Mongolian people must guard against intimidation by the Soviet and strive to bring about solidarity.

Finally the statement points out that the local authorities in Mongolia and Tibet may act only through the Foreign Ministry.—Reuter.

RUSSIA AND CHINA.

Coming Conference on Moscow.

C.E.R. QUESTIONS.

Nanking, Yesterday.
 It is officially announced from Moscow that the Soviet Government have appointed M. Karakhan Russia's chief delegate at the Moscow conference for the settlement of the Chinese Eastern Railway dispute.—Reuter.

Harbin, May 16.
 According to a telegram received here from Moscow, Mr. Mo Teh-hui, chairman of the Chinese Delegation to the Chinese Eastern Railway Conference, has been busy holding private conversations with Soviet officials for the purpose of reaching an understanding regarding procedure. It is understood that a number of special committees and commissions will be set up for dealing with particular problems, one being a Commission for the Preparation of Material for an Official Conference on Land and Navigation questions, which probably will be formed after the formal opening of the Conference.

Continuous Banquets.
 The members of the Chinese Delegation to the C.E.R. Conference have now comfortably established themselves in Moscow, several of the delegates having arranged to live at the Grand Hotel, while others will live at the Chinese Embassy Building. The round of banquets and dinners tendered the Chinese delegates by the Commissariat of Foreign Affairs is being continued, some six banquets being scheduled for next week.

Division of C.E.R. Profits.
 The Administration of the C.E.R., following a meeting of the Board of Directors yesterday, appropriated the sum of 2,000,000 Gold Roubles from the profits of the railway, one half of which sum, or 1,000,000 Gold Roubles, was deposited by Mr. Ermashov in the Dalbank on behalf of Soviet interests, and an equal sum was deposited by Mr. Li Shao-jen in a Chinese bank on behalf of Chinese interests.—Canton News Agency.

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